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DR. FRANCIS CLARK'S report on the epidemic of Plague in Hongkong during the current year, dated Sanitary Board Offices, 31st October, is now made public. It contains four pages of actual report, including the already published memorandum of the Sanitary Board on the method adopted for dealing with the outbreak, thirteen pages of tabular lists of cases, and three charts. The total number of cases reported up to the date when the report was written was 1,082. Since then but two have occurred, which only very slightly affect the statistics. Of the previous 1,082 cases mentioned in the report, all but 28 were among the Chinese, while of the total of 1,034 deaths all but 15 were among the Chinese. The case-mortality, therefore, was as high as 95.5 per cent, while the Chinese case mortality was no less than 96.6 per cent. For purposes of comparison, Dr. CLARK gives the figures for the previous epidemic years, 1894, 1896, 1898, and 1899. These were as follows:—

	1894	1896	1898	1899
Cases	2,679	1,204	1,320	1,436
Deaths	2,483	1,078	1,175	1,428
Percentage	92.7	89.5	89.0	96.1

From this table it will be seen that the present year has been marked by the smallest number of cases and deaths of the five, but the mortality percentage has been highest but one, namely that of the great plague year.

Analysing the returns, Dr. CLARK found that the non-Chinese cases comprised 6 Europeans, 5 Portuguese, 9 Indians, 7 Japanese, and one Filipino, of whom one European, 4 Portuguese, 7 Indians, and 3 Japanese died. The non-Chinese mortality was therefore 53.6 per cent. The one European who died was the English employee at the Naval Yard who died after some six weeks' stay in the Colony, having come out from England. It has been observed before, remarks Dr. CLARK, that new arrivals from temperate climates are far more liable to contract the disease and to

succumb than are residents of some standing. Two of the European cases were imported by the *Coromandel*, which left Bombay on the 10th April with a general cargo, including grain, reached Hongkong on the 28th, left next day, lay at Shanghai for about three weeks and left for Hongkong again on the 21st May. On the 22nd May the two Europeans, a steward and a waiter occupying the same cabin, developed fever and on the 25th they were landed here suffering from plague. The infection in this case was probably to be traced to rats, two being found dead in the infected cabin, which was close to the hold where the grain was stored. A native fireman was landed from the *Coromandel*, also suffering from plague, on the 27th May, and died of the disease. Turning to the Chinese cases, Dr. CLARK found that in the 1,054 cases there were 720 males and 334 females, giving a percentage of 31.7 of female cases, compared with 35.8 per cent. in 1898. The percentage of women in our Chinese population is 29.9 per cent. The lessened liability of the women to contract the disease Dr. CLARK attributes either to a smaller proportion of women in the Chinese population since the last Census or to an improvement in the sanitary conditions of the poorer homes. Next month's Census will throw light on the former question. Among Chinese children under fifteen years of age the percentage has been 25.9 per cent. (273 cases in all), as compared with 24.1 per cent. in 1898. The proportion of children under 15 being only 18 per cent. of the Chinese population, it is apparent, the report continues, that children are more liable to contract the disease than adults. Their case mortality was 96.7, practically the same as the general Chinese case mortality.

Plague has prevailed throughout the whole year, three clear weeks in March being the longest period without a case. The bulk of the cases were, as before, in the second quarter. In January-March there were 20 cases, 19 deaths; in April-June 745 cases, 683 deaths; in July-September 304 cases, 309 deaths (the excess of deaths being due, says the report, to some of the 152 cases reported in the last fortnight of the previous quarter not dying until after the commencement of the third quarter). In October there were 18 cases and 13 deaths—and, we may add, in November two cases and two deaths. 493 of the total number of cases occurred in the City of Victoria, Health Districts Nos. 2 and 9 maintaining their evil notoriety and claiming 229 cases between them. The figures of the ten districts were as follows:—

Health District	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
No. of Cases	44	131	0	67	68	20	24	19	98	17

A bad feature of the outbreak has been the number of dead bodies found in the streets or floating in the Harbour. There were no less than 412 cases so discovered, or 37.1 per cent. of the total. In 1899, however, the percentage was as high as 40. Dr. CLARK says: "These bodies are thrown out at night by the other occupants of the infected houses, with a view to avoiding the disinfection of the premises, and it would appear to be impossible to put a stop to the practice without an enormous increase in the European police force of the Colony. It is this practice by the Chinese that has necessitated such frequent house-to-house visitations by the officers of the Sanitary Board, and until the better class Chinese can bring such pressure to bear upon their poorer neighbours as will result in a cessation of this method of disposing of their dead, and concealing the address of the infected premises, I fear that house-to-house visitation, with its attendant discomforts to the more respectable Chinese residents, must be pressed, or the alternative of a wholesale vacation of the houses in infected districts be put in force. This latter remedy is universally admitted to be the most effective one for dealing with Bubonic Fever, but unfortunately its consequences to the property-owner are most disastrous, as it naturally results in a result of all rental for a period of some three or four months, and it is therefore as much to the interests of the property-owner as to the Colony at large that all cases of this disease should be at once identified, and isolated." Dr. CLARK appends a list of all places in which dead bodies have been found, showing that twelve have been persons who have found their way to the Canton Wharf, wishing to cross to Chinese territory, but have died on reaching the wharf. 70 bodies were found in the Harbour, and 43 at Yau-mai. The list may well suggest to the police the localities where special vigilance is needed to stop this practice of getting rid of the dead while suppressing the address of the infected premises. Should the practice continue, in spite of police vigilance, Dr. CLARK concludes, he sees no other remedy than for the Sanitary Board to decide to cremate all unclaimed bodies so found.

The charts which accompany the report illustrate "Bubonic Fever and General Rat Mortality," "Bubonic Fever and Mean Atmospheric Temperature," and "Bubonic Fever and Rainfall." It has been found that the average rat mortality of the City, above ground, is 400 to 500 per week, while during a plague epidemic it rises to as many as 2,000 or more per week. According to the chart the augmented rat mortality begins earlier and lasts longer than the epidemic among human beings. The Government has consequently, on the recommendation of the Board, decided to continue the payment for rats (the bulk of which goes to scavenging coolies who collect the dead rats thrown out by householders or that have died in the streets) after the epidemic, so that any increase in the number collected may give an early warning of a recrudescence of the disease. From the second chart it appears that, as in former years, the epidemic abated as soon as the mean atmospheric temperature rose above 80 deg. F. The disease, however, does not seem to recrudescence when the temperature again falls below 80 deg. F. This Dr. CLARK finds difficult to explain, but says that no doubt there are many other factors at work in the causation of an epidemic. The third chart deals with the influence of rainfall on the progress of the disease. In the twentieth, twenty-fourth, and twenty-sixth weeks heavy falls were followed by declines in the epidemic. Such statistics as these are interesting, but of course the number of "factors" at work makes it necessary for them to be compared with similar statistics from other epidemics before theories can be built on them. The report before us is an excellent piece of statistical work, in which all but necessary comment on the facts collected is avoided. It deserves to be read with close attention.

The Telegraph Companies informed us yesterday that the normal communication with Shanghai is now restored. At a meeting of the general committee held yesterday afternoon it was decided to hold the Masonic ball on the 4th February. The work on the sunken dredger *Canton River* has progressed so favourably that an attempt to right her will be made some time to-day. The grand stand on the Hongkong Jockey Club's ground at Happy Valley, which was blown down, when just newly re-erected, by the late typhoon, has again been placed in position. Gunner Thesdale, R.A., who died on Tuesday after a prolonged illness, in the Government Civil Hospital, from erysipelas, was interred at Happy Valley yesterday morning with the usual military honours.

All the bluejackets of H.M. ships now in Hongkong Harbour moved out to the Happy Valley yesterday morning, headed by the band of H.M.S. *Undaunted*. On arrival at Happy Valley they went through various field exercises before returning to the City.

We were informed yesterday evening from the Colonial Secretary's Office that a telegram has been received from the Consul-General at Shanghai to the effect that the Chinese authorities, on the recommendation of the Consular Body, have suspended Medical Inspection of steamers from Hongkong.

With the issue of the *Hongkong Daily Press* to-morrow, there will be published a full-sized Supplement, containing two original copyrighted topical articles by the well-known writers Sir Charles Dilke, Bart., M.P., and Sir John Lubbock, K.C.M.G., M.P. In addition there will be descriptions of the Christmas displays at the various stores, which will no doubt prove useful to our readers in making their purchases during the coming week.

We have been requested by the Mother Superior of the Italian Convent to acknowledge on her behalf the kindness and generosity received from the Amateur Dramatic Club, whose members gave a performance on behalf of the Convent, the proceeds of which, \$648, the Mother Superior has received from the Hon. Secretary, Mr. E. W. Mitchell. She desires the members of the Club and their friends to know how much their services have been appreciated.

It has been arranged to have a sham fight over in the New Territory on Saturday afternoon, the whole of the garrison, including the Volunteers, to be engaged. The enemy will be supposed to have disembarked at Miri Bay, to have massed troops at Shatin, and to be marching along the new road with the object of seizing the Cosmopolitan Docks. Dispositions will be made for the defence of the latter, the local Volunteers being included in the defending force. Col. Brown, C.R.E., will be in command of the attacking force, while Lieut. Col. the Hon. R. H. Bertie will have charge of the defence. Thirty-five rounds of blank ammunition will be served out to each man, and the guns will be at the disposal of the commander of artillery. The dress will be khaki, and in order to distinguish them from the attacking force the defenders will wear a white badge. Lieut. Col. Perrot, of the 22nd Bombay, will be the chief umpire; other umpires to be drawn from the Bengal Infantry and the Siege Train. The garrison artillery officers watching the manoeuvres as spectators are requested to stand in mud so as not to lead to confusion. The manoeuvres will be on a large scale, and it is hoped that there will be a large turn-out of Volunteers, as they have never before had the opportunity of participating in field tactics of such magnitude.

Mr. A. A. da Rosa writes to point out that his son's name in the Oxford Local Examination list should have appeared as C. A. Danenberg, da Rosa, not as C. A. Danenberg, as in the list furnished to us.

The French hospital-ship *Notre Dame du Salut*, sent out to China by the society for the aid of wounded soldiers, over which the Duc d'Auerstadt is president, has been sent by Admiral Pottier to Shanghai for the reception of the sick and wounded French troops.

It is reported from Nagasaki that Messrs. Frazer & Co., of Yokohama, have entered into a contract with the U.S. Government to supply coal at the rate of \$3.03 per ton. A vernacular paper considers the coal will probably be forwarded to the Philippine authorities, who are to buy 200,000 tons.

The *Yorodzu*, a Japanese vernacular, states that the American Tobacco Co. has already purchased the Mura Shokwa business in Kyoto, and recently the Kinura Shokwa in the same city. The Company's undertaking is to acquire the business of all the wholesale tobacco merchants in Japan, including Iwaga Tengui and Chiba Botan in Tokyo, etc. It is said they have already opened a conference with Tenoi of Osaka.

Two stories are circulated about the result of the negotiations between England and Russia with regard to the latter's tenure of the railway from Shanhaikwan to Yangtsung, states the *Japan Mail*. One is that Russia has declined to give up the line until she is recouped the expense she incurred in occupying it; the other that she has agreed to hand it over to the head-quarters of the allies. "We imagine," the *Mail* adds, "that the latter version is truth." It is also the version which our scanty intelligence on the subject supports.

The *Japan Mail* says: "The rumour is repeated that instructions have been issued by the Powers to their respective Consuls in China, requiring them to interdict the import of arms or materials for the manufacture of ammunition into China." Commenting upon this the *Mail* continues: "We do not think that any importance whatever attaches to this rumour. The Consuls have no power whatever to enforce such an interdiction, and no one would pay the slightest attention to it even though they issued it with all the pomp and circumstance imaginable."

The *Japan Times* says the Koba v. Morse case, which has already been referred to in these columns, may probably be the costliest of all the cases of litigation at present going on in Japanese courts. A Kobe friend writes to the journal that the four advocates who have been commissioned by the city of Kobe in the present dispute are to receive 200 yen each for every sitting of the court they attend. The last court held last month was opened at 10 a.m. and closed three hours after; the time actually spent by the four advocates totalling only 23 minutes, and they got 800 yen altogether. In other words the city of Kobe paid them at the rate of about 35 yen per minute.

With regard to the enforcement of quarantine inspection against stowage passengers leaving Yokohama for the United States, the *Japan Herald* says it is stated that the shipping agents in Yokohama have decided to commission passenger-brokers to create a permanent infesting establishment, and negotiations on the subject are now being opened with passenger-brokers. In arriving at this decision, it seems that some difficulty was experienced owing to the fact that some agents do not grant third-class passages. It is understood that in the event of the withdrawal of the medical inspection, the establishment will be maintained by a discount to be allowed to passenger-brokers for every third-class ticket secured by them.

An Exhibition is to be held at Hanot, as already announced. The head of the Agricultural and Commercial Department of Indo-China now has the matter in hand. The first idea was to acquire one of the palaces at the Paris Exhibition, or its frame-work at least, and transport it bodily to Hanot; but this ambitious proposal had to be abandoned on account of the length of time necessary to carry it out. Tenders were accordingly invited for a general plan of the Exhibition, and M. Bussy, Inspector of Buildings at Tonkin, has obtained the contract. There will be a central palace, with annexes and grounds, but the details are not yet public. The date of opening, it has been decided by the local committee, will be postponed until 3rd November, 1902, the originally chosen date, 1st December, 1901, being impracticable. It is suggested that the Exhibition may lead to the establishment of a permanent Indo-Chinese museum at Hanot.

The Chamber of Commerce at Nagasaki has submitted to the Japanese Government a memorial suggesting the importance of constituting that place into a free port. The *Japan Times* says the suggestion appears to it to be worthy of careful consideration on the part of the authorities. Nagasaki's geographical situation, as well as its increasing facilities for shipping and docking, make it a very convenient centre of distribution for Corea and North China where trade is increasing by leaps and bounds. The advisability of creating a free port for the purpose of diverting the fast-developing trade of North China to Japan has for some time been advocated in certain business circles, and the idea, we are glad to observe, is beginning to find increasing favour among our countrymen. We hope (our contemporary adds) that the Cabinet will approve of the representations of the Nagasaki Chamber of Commerce and take early steps for introducing the necessary measures into the Diet.

A Tokyo despatch states that a Japanese bank called the Tokio Meiji Ginko suspended payment on the 4th inst. The present outlook in financial circles in Japan is critical and four or five more banks in Tokyo are said to be likely to have to close their doors before the 20th inst.

A Cienfuegos despatch reports that the N.Y.K. steamer *Genkai Maru*, which sailed from Tokyo on the 20th ult., had arrived at Cienfuegos. She reports that the port of Newchwang is frozen over and there will be no further voyages between Newchwang and Taku this winter. Newchwang is constantly surprised by mounted banditti and reports of guns are heard in town every night. Trade is depressed.

Anent the proposed Perry monument to be erected at Kurihama, near Yokohama, Mr. Otani Kakei, the gentleman who is responsible for the work, inspected the locality on the 5th inst. In connection with this scheme, the *Kobe Herald* states, Admiral Beardslee prefers his own plan and suggest the advisability of constructing on a reef in the vicinity of Uruga a light-house surrounded by a statue of Commodore Perry.

In consequence of the great floods in the North this year, the number of tank logs reaching the Revenue Station exceeds all precedent, states the *Bangkok Times*. But these floods are not an entirely unalloyed blessing to the trade, for in many places the water has overflowed the bank of the streams and carried logs back into the country, whence their extraction will prove a work of time and difficulty.

The *Japan Mail* announces the death in the United States of the Rev. M. L. Gordon, for many years engaged in missionary work in Japan. Mr. Gordon, who came to Japan in 1872, was one of the best-informed missionaries in the country; he was one of the foremost authorities on Buddhist subjects, and during his long tenure of office as a preacher in the Doehisin he achieved much influence among the Japanese.

Lieut. James Archibald Charteris Forsyth, R.A., son of our well-known Colombo merchant, says the *Ceylon Observer*, has had a lively time since he was sent out with his Battery (16th Royal Garrison) to South Africa. He took part in the march to Johannesburg and Pretoria and came under fire on several occasions, but fortunately escaped, so as to be able to go to China when called on to accompany the second division of his Battery which was short of officers. The troopship steamed direct to Singapore and thence on to Hongkong and Weihaiwei. Sojourning on officers Lieut. Forsyth, adds our contemporary, is in luck's way, to be brought into service in two such distant fields as South Africa and China within three years of obtaining his commission.

Owing to the scarcity of transports the plans of the Quartermaster's Department, contemplated starting the first returning volunteers from Manila for San Francisco early this month, states a Washington Despatch dated November 3rd. The belief that it would be necessary to do this was very discouraging to the Administration, but there was apparently no way to avoid that course, as with the present fleet of transports and all vessels if eight that might be secured, it would take at least six months to complete the withdrawals. The officers of the quartermaster's department have been very active lately, the despatch goes on to say, and have succeeded in securing enough additional vessels and so arranging schedules as to make it certain that every volunteer will be out of the Philippines within ninety days after the first volunteer organization has sailed from Manila.

Mr. C. E. Robinson, the head of the Toyoko and Dock Company of Manila, who is now en route to the Philippines from the United States, informed a press correspondent just before he left San Francisco, that a syndicate would proceed at once to build a big railway system in the Philippines, thereby opening up territory in the Island of Luzon. Mr. Robinson, in answer to the correspondent, said: "That the promoters are sincere is indicated by the fact that they have gone so far as to survey, plan every detail of construction and order material. More than \$8,000,000 has been pledged, the bulk of the money coming from reasonable New York and London houses. In addition to the railroad it is proposed to construct a big dock at Mariveles, which is about twenty-five miles from Manila. By establishing a free port there a line commercial trade would be secured to the enterprising capitalists." Mr. Robinson says it will take from four to five years to build the railroad. The grading can be done in from eight months to two years. A straight line has been surveyed, the idea being to branch out from the main road after the latter's completion and as the country is opened up.

ALICE MEMORIAL AND NETHERSOLE HOSPITALS.

The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Nethersole Hospitals begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donations to the funds of the Hospitals:—

St. John's Cathedral	\$272.00
Union Church	179.31
To Test Chapel (L.M.S. Chinese)	75.21
St. Stephens (C.M.S.) Church	50.02
St. Peter's Church	15.24
Hakka Ch. (Basil Mission Chinese)	8.00
Reform Mission Chinese Church	25.50
Wesleyan Mission Chinese Ch.	9.00

The amount last year, including \$5.30 from Bethesda German Chapel, was \$27,011, showing an increase this year of \$7,467.

The Hon. Treasurer also begs to acknowledge the following donations:—

Tung Shing	\$15
Li Chun Shing	5
Tai Man Tong	5
Under \$5	3
	\$28

TELEGRAMS.

"DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.

THE CRISIS IN CHINA.

London, 12th December, 7.55 p.m.

SIR E. SATOW AND THE NATIVE CHRISTIANS AT PEKING.

Latfan reports that Sir Ernest Satow has objected to the demand for an indemnity for native Christians at Peking, who, he says, indemnified themselves in the looting after the capture of Peking.

EXPENSES OF THE CHINA EXPEDITION.

Parliament has passed a War Vote of sixteen millions sterling, which includes half a million for expenses in connection with the China Expedition. It is proposed to borrow in the months of February and March the sum of eleven millions.

THE WAR IN SOUTH AFRICA.

London, 12th December, 7.55 p.m.

FIGHTING DE WET.

General Knox is maintaining a running fight with the Boers under Commandant De Wet.

ALLIANCE BETWEEN GREAT BRITAIN AND PORTUGAL.

H. E. the Governor of Macao received on the 12th inst. the following telegram from the Minister of Marine at Lisbon:—"Officially proclaimed by the King and the Representative of Great Britain alliance between Portugal and England."

REUTERS SERVICE.

LONDON, 11th December.

PARLIAMENT.

The House of Commons rejected an amendment to the address deprecating the inclusion of so many of one family in the Cabinet. The House of Commons voted the address after rejecting the amendment by Mr. Lloyd George (which Mr. Bannerman supported) deprecating Ministers holding shares in a concern which was receiving Government contracts. Mr. Chamberlain said the question was one of personal honour and that the result would be a slanderous campaign. He explained his connection with the Colombo Company, and formally denied ever having used his influence to obtain a Government contract for any Company. CHINA—SIR CLAUDE MACDONALD'S DESPATCHES.

A Blue Book containing Sir Claude Macdonald's despatches regarding the siege of Peking, makes special mention of Captains Strouts, Poole and Halliday, of civilians Oliphant, Warren, Dwyer, Cockburn, Kerr, Norris, Morrison and others; likewise of some foreigners, notably M. Shiba.

THE ALLIES IN CHINA.

Lord Cranborne stated in the House that the present disposition of the forces of the allies on the Peking-Shanhaikwan railway was purely temporary and that the Government was closely watching the matter.

CORRESPONDENCE.

[We do not hold ourselves responsible for the opinions expressed by our correspondents.]

LAST SUNDAY'S YACHT RACE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS."

Hongkong 13th December.

DEAR SIR,—The observations of your correspondent in his account of last Sunday's sailing race, to the effect that the entirely ignored recall flag, are open to possible misconception, and, therefore, I am writing a few lines to set the matter right.

I did not notice the recall flag at all, as I imagined that I was well on the right side of the line.

The mark-boat which is supposed to approximately indicate the starting line, must have been moored several yards to the Eastward of its proper place, and it is to be hoped that the navigator of that craft will be warned by the Committee of the Yacht Club to take up his position a little more carefully in future. I am, dear Sir, yours faithfully,

H. E. POLLOCK.

Owner of the *Active*.

Writing to the *Star* in connection with the case of two lady gypsies who had been annoyed by kungas, Mr. H. Grove kindly gives several methods of tackling such customers. "Another useful way," he says, "of dealing with an unpleasant man is to take him to the side, and, throwing your arms round his neck, to lay on to him. If you are the lady, to take his chance. This is the only way, with your momentum, will overpower him and fall on him heavily. Ladies will no doubt be very grateful for the hint. It is all so simple. But would it not be rather embarrassing if the odds did not turn out properly, and the lady was left hanging round the tramp's neck while her husband hovered on alone?"

“LODGE ST. JOHN” INSTALLATION AND BANQUET.

On Wednesday evening several important functions took place in connection with local Masonry, namely the installation of the R. W. Master elect of the “Lodge St. John, No. 618,” s.e., the investment of the officers for the ensuing year, followed by a grand banquet, which was attended by representatives of all the local Masonic lodges.

The ceremony of installation, which was very impressive, took place in the Masonic Hall at 5 p.m. in the presence of the members of the Lodge and many visiting brethren. The R. W. District Grand Master the Hon. C. P. Chater, C.M.G., assisted by P.D.J.M. E. C. Ray, installed the R. W. Master H. B. Bridger, and invested the officers of Lodge St. John.

The following were the officers invested: Immediate Past Master, Wor. Bro. J. Lockard; Wor. Sen. Warden, Bro. W. Musket; Treasurer, Bro. W. C. Taylor; Senior Deacon, Bro. H. Jewell; Organist, Bro. W. J. Terrill; Inner Guard, Bro. G. Sin; Wor. Jun. Warden, Bro. J. A. Tarrant; Secretary, Bro. W. M. Everall; Junior Deacon, Bro. H. A. Allen; Dir. of Ceremonies, Wor. Bro. W. Farmer; the Tyler; Stewards, Bros. F. Allen and R. Jones.

After the ceremony the brethren descended to the Banquet Hall, where they were joined by a number of non-Masonic guests, and a company of about 160 sat down to dinner. The Hall had been splendidly decorated by the Decoration Committee, who, with coloured fairy lamps, illuminated emblems of the craft, plants and flowers, coloured tapestry, and the many other things which lend themselves to the art of ornamentation, had transformed the ordinary bleak compartment into a brilliant and extremely picturesque dining-room. Conspicuous amongst the decorations were the very pretty illuminated insignia of the Lodge, designed by Bro. W. Farmer, placed at the end of the room opposite the R. W. Master. An excellent dinner was provided by Messrs. Taylor and Farmer, the wines being from Messrs. Watson & Co., Ltd.

The banquet finished, the rest of the evening was devoted to toasts, speeches and harmony. The programme was very happily arranged, and it is worthy of reproduction, the quotations being very acceptable. The speeches were mostly well delivered, and touching references were made to absent brethren in South Africa, and those who had passed hence. The songs of the evening were the two by Bro. Alec Marshall, he singing “The Banks of Loch Lomond” as an encore, and “Father O’Flynn” sung later by Bro. Barrie. Bro. Tirrell sang well, receiving an encore, and Bros. Stephenson and Bridger were loudly applauded for their comic songs. Amongst those who also sang were Bros. Longhurst and Jenkins, and Mr. Smart. Bros. Ward and Longhurst accompanied the singers and a most enjoyable evening was spent by all present. The toast list was as follows:—

TOASTS.
“We’ll o’er a wee bit cruck.”
“The Queen and the Craft.”
Proposed by the R. W. M.
“Tempered, august, abiding, reluctant of prayers or vows.”
—Kipling.
“National Anthem.”
—Kipling.
“The Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Scotland.”
Proposed by the R. W. M.
“He carries himself nobly, as becometh one in Power.”
—Shakespeare.
“Ye Banks & Braes O’ Bonnie Doon.”
—Shakespeare.
“The District Grand Master and Officers of the District Grand Lodge of Hongkong and South China.”
Proposed by the R. W. M.
“A Goodly Company—the flower of the men.”
Responded to by W.P.M.
Song “Queen of the Earth” Bro. Terrill.
“Sister Lodges and Visitors.”
Proposed by the W.S.W. Bro. Dickie.
“They are welcome all, for these be they with whom we’ve laid consort.”
—Henry VIII.
Responded to by Bro. Lucy Johnson; Messrs. Mancell & Stuart.
“The Hongkong and South China Masonic Benevolence Fund Corporation.”
Proposed by Wor. Bro. J. W. Kinghorn, P.M.
Acknowledged by the oldest “Trustee” of the Fund present, W.P.M. Bro. Anderson.
“To do good for its own sake was the lifelong object of the brothers.”
—Nicholas Nickleby.

“The Newly Installed Master.”
Proposed by Wor. Bro. J. Lockard, I.P.M.
“The rank is but the guinea stamp; the man’s the gold for a’ that.”
—Burns.
Song “The King’s Minstrel” Bro. Alec Marshall.
“Our Absent Brethren.”
Proposed by Wor. Bro. W. Farmer, P.M.
“Though lost tonight, to memory dear.”
—Old Song.
“Friends all! Though they be not here yet will we drink long life and health to them.”
Song “I Wonder Why” Bro. R. Stephenson.
“The wives, sisters, daughters, and sweethearts of Masons.”
Proposed by the W.S.W. Bro. J. A. Tarrant.
Reply by the youngest Mason present, Bro. J. H. Longhurst.
“When I mention with the brow—ministry and that.”
Banjo Solo “Selected” Bro. Husted.
“All poor and distressed Masons.”
Proposed by the S.D. with the absence of the Tyler and drunk in solemn silence.
“Eh, but the man’s doon—let’s o’er gang an’ help him.”
—Old Song.
“Comrades good night, go home and say, My dear, I was the first who came away.”
—Byron.

SUPREME COURT.

13th December.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

BEFORE HIS HONOUR T. SERCOMBE SMITH (ACTING JUDGE).

PROMISSORY NOTE CASES.

Lee Yuh Hin, a cook, residing at 3 and 4, Leo Yuen Street West, and Wong Lung Chor, a clerk in the office of Mr. C. Evans, solicitor, for \$100.75 due on a promissory note.

The plaintiff said the defendant borrowed the money from him on the 15th September, giving him the promissory note produced.

In answer to Mr. Bratton, the plaintiff said he had nothing to do with the starting of a club in September. Some furniture was obtained from him to furnish a club at 52, Praya Central. He did not know who was the first secretary, but Leung Chor started the club. He bought the furniture from a shop in Lyndhurst Terrace for \$100.75. The defendant took delivery of the furniture of Mr. C. Evans, Praya Central. Witness was also present. He made a mistake when he said he got the promissory note on the 15th September. He should have said the 17th September. He was in the club when he lent the money. He did not know when the furniture was taken away from the club. He received a letter from Messrs. Mounsey and Lyndhurst on the 24th November. He did not know whether the furniture was removed the day before. Mr. Bratton read this letter, which said that in consequence of the furniture having been removed the plaintiff was asked to return the promissory note in question by a certain time proceedings would be taken. No money was actually passed. He received the promissory note for the furniture. He received another letter from Mounsey and Lyndhurst on Wednesday. (This letter was produced, and showed that the special defence of want of consideration would be set up).

His Lordship non-suited the plaintiff with costs. He said he was perfectly satisfied that the promissory note dated the 15th day of the eighth month, which corresponded with the 17th September, was written and signed without the impressed stamp having been put upon it. The impressed stamp was dated the 18th September and the date of the promissory note was the 17th September. A promissory note stamped after it had been executed could not be sued upon.

Guilhermina Cordoro, a widow, residing at 18, Mosque Street, sued A. M. Silva, of 3, Old Bailey, clerk, for \$175, balance due on a promissory note given to him by the defendant in 1893.

Mr. Reece appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr. Grist for the defendant.

Mr. Grist said he had served his friend with notice of special defence, namely, that the claim was barred by the Statute of Limitations. It might shorten matters if he said that that was the only defence he proposed to set up.

Mr. Reece said his Lordship would see from a translation of the note in question that the defendant promised to pay \$385 by monthly instalments of \$10 on the fourth of each month. There were endorsements on the note which showed that money was paid on account up to May, 1894. In respect of the next five instalments judgment was given against him in that court. The defendant was absent from the Colony from November, 1894, to April 1899, and he suggested under these circumstances the Statute of Limitations should not begin to run until the defendant returned to the Colony. His second point was that on his return to the Colony he made to the plaintiff a promise to pay when he got work. He had since got work, earning \$75 a month, and was therefore able to pay. Then on the 1st December last the defendant paid him \$50, and he submitted that that was a payment on account, and that it amounted to an acknowledgment of the debt and a promise to pay the balance.

The plaintiff gave evidence in corroboration of Mr. Reece’s statement.

Evidence was also given by the plaintiff’s sister.

At this point Mr. Grist was called away, and Mr. P. X. d’Almada e Castro took up the case for the defendant.

Mr. Reece said that the defendant came to see him on Saturday, December 1st, and said he would come and see him on Monday and make an arrangement. He submitted that that was sufficient to take the case out of the Statute of Limitations.

Mr. Reece’s clerk said that on the 1st December the defendant called at their office and paid \$30. On Mr. Reece asking him “What about \$175?” he replied, “I will consider it. Don’t issue a writ yet. I will come on Monday about 12 o’clock and see what arrangement I can make.”

By Mr. d’Almada e Castro—The defendant said to Mr. Reece that he had come to pay the judgment debt, and he obtained a receipt for \$30 and left immediately afterwards.

The witness was closely questioned by his Lordship, who spoke to him somewhat sharply more than once.

Mr. Reece then entered the witness box and bore out his clerk’s testimony.

For the defence Mr. d’Almada e Castro submitted that the evidence was not sufficient to put the case outside the Statute of Limitations, and that the rule as to absence from the Colony did not apply here.

The hearing was adjourned.

POLICE COURT.

Thursday, 13th December.

BEFORE MR. KEMP.

BEACONSFIELD ARCADE FIRE—INTERESTING CASE.

A Chinese merchant and a bluejacket from H.M.S. Endymion were charged with disorderly conduct at the fire in Beaconsfield Arcade on Sunday evening last. They pleaded not guilty. The Chinaman was defended by Mr. Deacon, solicitor.

From the evidence adduced it transpired that the first defendant, who has an office in Beaconsfield Arcade, attempted to make his way to the immediate vicinity of the fire, but was prevented by a Sikh constable. He then got excited, and his gesticulations attracted the attention of Sergeant McKay, No. 5 Station, who ordered him off. Defendant went away, but it is alleged that he returned immediately the sergeant’s back was turned, and again attempted to get past the Sikh. A crowd gathered, and the second defendant, who stated that he was passing quietly along at the time, went over to see what the trouble was. He thought the Sikh constable had more than he could manage, and with the idea of helping him, the bluejacket told “this Chinaman” to “show off.” The Chinaman refused to “show off,” and the bluejacket pushed him and followed him to the scene of the fire, where the Chinaman from P.O. 110 came up and charged him with “kicking up a disturbance, eventually arresting him.” Magistrate—Did the Sikh constable ask you for assistance?

Club—Back—Russell, three-quarter backs—Cox, McMurtrie (Capt.), Strong, and Chetwynd; half-backs—Williamson and Howkins; forwards—Johnston, Halliday, Bishop, Wilson, Sandford, Gibson, Stockwell, and Anderson.

Army—Back—Blagay, E.B. three-quarter backs—Wall, R.A., Tregear, S.B. H.O. Harman, R.A., Grindleton, R.A.; half-backs—Young, R.A., Stevens, R.E.; forwards—Capt. Locking, R.A.; Leites, R.E.; Wilson, R.A.; Stockwell, R.A.; and A. N. O’Keefe.

In re-appearing the portfolio of Foreign Affairs, Lord Salisbury had made a great personal sacrifice, says a home paper, that office carried with it a salary of £5,000, but no remuneration is attached to either of the offices of Prime Minister or Lord Privy Seal.

Defendant—No, Sir, but I reckoned “a wanted” sign, and I told this Chinaman to show off.

Mr. Deacon contended that no case had been established against the second defendant. His desire to get through to the fire was a very natural one, and the first defendant’s interference was unexcused. His client merely wished to get to his office to look after his books and other property. He would call witnesses to prove this.

The witnesses were heard, after which the magistrate maintained that the charges had been sustained—that a disturbance had admittedly taken place. First defendant (the Chinaman) would be fined \$5 or 14 days; second defendant, \$2 or 8 days. The lines were paid.

LARCENY.

Chan Leung, a gardener, pleaded not guilty to stealing four pieces of clothing, value one dollar, the property of a lunatic shopkeeper.

The complainant deposed that the accused coolie walked into his shop, and taking the articles produced (four cotton girdles) from the wall, tied them round his waist and made to go off. Complainant, however, arrested him.

The defendant alleged that the articles fell on his shoulders as he was passing the shop. He omitted to explain, however, how they came to be tied in a double knot round his waist, and as a consequence goes into seclusion for a month.

HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

At the Monthly Meeting of the General Committee of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce, held at 11.15 a.m. on the 11th December, 1900. Present: Messrs. A. Haupt, D. B. Law, A. M. Marshall, R. L. Richardson, C. S. Sharp, N. A. Sicks, Hon. J. Thurburn (ex officio), and R. C. Wilcox (Secretary).

THE CHAIRMAN.

The Secretary read letters from the Chairman and Vice-Chairman regarding their inability (the former, owing to indisposition, the latter to a summer holiday) to attend the Executive Council to be present.

On the proposition of Mr. Marshall, seconded by Mr. Sharp.

Mr. N. A. Sicks took the chair.

The Chairman read a letter just received from Sir Thos. Jackson expressing regret that he would be unable to attend the meeting.

REIGNITION OF MEMBERS.

The Secretary reported that Mr. W. F. Wenyoun and Mrs. Hartigan, Stedman and Renick had resigned membership of the Chamber, much regretted, to take effect on 31st December. Mr. Wenyoun had left the Colony and now conducted his business from Glasgow.

THE BETTER CONTROL OF MASTERS AND ENGINEERS OF STEAM LAUNCHES.

A letter was received from the Colonial Secretary on the 20th November announcing that Messrs. A. M. Marshall and D. R. Law had been appointed to a Committee to consider the proposed system of continuous record certificates, together with the Captain Superintendent of Police and the Acting Harbour Master.

The Chairman said that perhaps Mr. Marshall would be good enough to tell them what had been done.

Mr. Marshall said that Mr. Law and himself had a meeting with the Captain Superintendent of Police and the Acting Harbour Master, at which the suggestion with regard to the continuous record certificates of masters and engineers of steam-launches was discussed at some length, and it was decided to recommend the Government to sanction a record of service being kept in a register at the Harbour Office.

The Harbour Master objected to the endorsement of such record on the certificate of competency as suggested by the Chamber on the ground that it would probably lead to forgeries of certificates being perpetrated.

The Chairman—Do you think the plan recommended will answer the purpose?

Mr. Marshall—Yes, I think it will prove an effective check upon the men.

THE CONTRACT FOR CARRIAGE OF MAILS FROM HONGKONG TO CANADA.

Read letter from Secretary, Montreal Chamber of Commerce, dated 27th October, enclosing copy of a resolution adopted unanimously by that body on the 17th idem, expressing the opinion that the occasion of the renewal of the contract between Her Majesty’s Government and the Canadian Pacific Railway Co. should be seized to ask for additional facilities (increased number of trips) and acceleration of service.

The Secretary said that an acknowledgment of the letter had been despatched on the 3rd December.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT OF THE BANKRUPTCY ORDINANCE.

In reference to this question, Hon. J. Thurburn said the Bill submitted to the Government by the Chamber would come up for first reading at the Council meeting to be held that afternoon. He understood that some little time would be allowed to elapse before the second reading to give opportunity for its consideration.

THE REVISION OF THE CHINESE TARIFF.

In view of the fact that peace negotiations appear to be impending at Peking, and as it is probable they will include a revision of the tariff, the Committee decided that a letter should be addressed to Sir Ernest Satow, British Minister in China, intimating that H.E.’s predecessor in office, Sir Claude Macdonald, promised the Chamber that before any agreement was arrived at with regard to the tariff, the Chambers of Commerce at Hongkong and Shanghai would be afforded an opportunity to express an opinion upon the changes proposed. The meeting then terminated.

THE DEFENCE OF THE PEITANG.

We published yesterday some extracts from the despatches of M. Pichon, French Minister at Peking, from the Yellow-book issued last month in Paris on affairs in China. The following remarks on the defence of the Peitang are also interesting. In a despatch of September 1st M. Pichon says:—

“Of all the defence organized during the siege of the Bishopric of Peking is, perhaps, the most astonishing and remarkable. It has a considerable population. More than 3,000 native Christians had taken refuge there. The Bishop, Mr. Favier, had with him his coadjutor, Mr. Jarlin, 13 French priests, as Austrian student, and eight Chinese priests and 111 seminarians. The sisters of mercy, whose home, called Teutestang, is separated from Peitang only by a narrow street, numbered 20. The military garrison deputed to protect the missionaries, sisters, and refugees consisted of only 42 men—21 Frenchmen for Peitang and 21 Italians for Teutestang. A certain number of Chinese Christians possessed lances, sabres, and pikes. A few seminarians were armed with rifles.”

From June 20 to August 18 several thousands of soldiers or Boxers, who had times as many as 15 cannon—three of them Krupp—at their disposal, entirely blockaded the two establishments. Their attacks were made from all sides, principally from the south-west (palace of Prince Li), from the south-east (blue pagoda), and from the north-east (pagoda of the Lama). They fired more than 2,500 artillery projectiles—shrapnel shells, bullets of every calibre, sometimes discharged from enormous cannon made in Europe at the beginning of the 17th century—and several millions of cartridges. They threw more than 500 bundles of straw soaked in petroleum, gunpowder, and inflammable acids. They fired seven mines, four of which blew up. Three were discovered in time. The siege made 400 victims, of whom 38 were Chinese killed under fire, 120 Chinese died from famine, 51 buried in a mine explosion, 50 women who died of distress and illness, five French sisters and superior of the Sisters of Mercy, the vicar and missionary, M. Charvillat, and others. Our soldiers had nine wounded and the Chinese three.

“One of the most difficult problems was to ensure the subsistence of so numerous a population. When the troops arrived there were only two days’ rations, and these were limited to the bare necessities. At the beginning of the food, consisting of millet, wheat, and rice, was a head. It was then for a month, and when we entered in July it was only one day’s rations. The troops always had meat—18 animals were killed in the month of June. On August 1st, the roots of plants and leaves of trees had been eaten by the Chinese Christians.”

FOOTBALL.

In the Rugby match yesterday afternoon at Happy Valley a draw took place between the H.K.F.C. and the Army. The Army kicked off, and the ball was sent into touch. From the line out Chetwynd captured, and from a run three-quarters length of the field seized underneath the posts. This, however, was not converted. Numerous captures ensued, in which the Club showed to the best advantage. Bishop presently seized and was successful in scoring, but from a free kick near the touch the Club failed to register the extra points.

The game at half-time stood—Club, 2 tries; Army, 0.

In the second half the Army plucked up considerably, and before the whistle sounded they had managed to equalise. Stockwell and Watson being responsible.

Result—3 tries each. The following were the teams:—

Club—Back—Russell, three-quarter backs—Cox, McMurtrie (Capt.), Strong, and Chetwynd; half-backs—Williamson and Howkins; forwards—Johnston, Halliday, Bishop, Wilson, Sandford, Gibson, Stockwell, and Anderson.

Army—Back—Blagay, E.B. three-quarter backs—Wall, R.A., Tregear, S.B. H.O. Harman, R.A., Grindleton, R.A.; half-backs—Young, R.A., Stevens, R.E.; forwards—Capt. Locking, R.A.; Leites, R.E.; Wilson, R.A.; Stockwell, R.A.; and A. N. O’Keefe.

In re-appearing the portfolio of Foreign Affairs, Lord Salisbury had made a great personal sacrifice, says a home paper, that office carried with it a salary of £5,000, but no remuneration is attached to either of the offices of Prime Minister or Lord Privy Seal.

Defendant—No, Sir, but I reckoned “a wanted” sign, and I told this Chinaman to show off.

Mr. Deacon contended that no case had been established against the second defendant. His desire to get through to the fire was a very natural one, and the first defendant’s interference was unexcused. His client merely wished to get to his office to look after his books and other property. He would call witnesses to prove this.

The witnesses were heard, after which the magistrate maintained that the charges had been sustained—that a disturbance had admittedly taken place. First defendant (the Chinaman) would be fined \$5 or 14 days; second defendant, \$2 or 8 days. The lines were paid.

LARCENY.

Chan Leung, a gardener, pleaded not guilty to stealing four pieces of clothing, value one dollar, the property of a lunatic shopkeeper.

The complainant deposed that the accused coolie walked into his shop, and taking the articles produced (four cotton girdles) from the wall, tied them round his waist and made to go off. Complainant, however, arrested him.

The defendant alleged that the articles fell on his shoulders as he was passing the shop. He omitted to explain, however, how they came to be tied in a double knot round his waist, and as a consequence goes into seclusion for a month.

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FUND IN AID OF SUFFERERS FROM THE TYPHOON.

The Hon. Treasurer begs to acknowledge receipt of the following amounts to the above Fund, and will be glad to receive further subscriptions:—

Previously acknowledged £50 & \$1,211.20

Messrs. John D. Humphreys & Son

Mr. G. H. Stewart

“E. Fabany”

Standard Oil Co.

Mr. A. M. Marry

James H. Cox

Messrs. Chas. J. Gump & Co.

Abdoolah Ebrahim & Co.

Mr. David H. Brown

Messrs. H. A. Asgar & H. Esmail

Mr. F. D. Goldard

Messrs. Noronha & Co.

Mr. H. Esasak Elias

H. M. Nomazee

S. H. Michael

A. Shih

Hon. F. H. May

Wong Wing Chan

Mr. P. P. J. Wodehouse

Capt. G. C. Anderson

Mr. H. Ruttenberg

W. J. Wright

R. H. Craig

R. J. Pierpoint

R. H. Craig

Sung Sing

Jo Ku Lu

Mr. H. J. Watson

A. D. Doyle

An Fung Chai

Chung Ngo Kwan

U Hing Kai

Li Kin Ching

Ng Shing Chung

Wong Pongang

Fung Yau Kau

£50 and \$4,692.20

The Hon. Treasurer begs also to acknowledge the following amounts:—

Sing Woo Co.

A Chinese Lady

Mr. Ho Tung

The Kwong Yai Opium Firm

Mr. Lo Kuen Ting

Chau Tung Shing

Yuen Fat Hong

Yan Wo Co.

Mr. Ho Ngok Lau

Yuen Lai Cheung

Hop Hing Hong

The Yee On Firm

Wing Cheong Chan

Wing Cheong Lee

Mr. Kwong Wa Chin

Mr. Ho Tung

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

HONGKONG HIGH LEVEL TRAMWAYS COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the SIXTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, 38 & 40, Queen's Road Central, on THURSDAY, the 27th day of December, 1900, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 30th November, 1900.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 17th to 26th inst., both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 14th December, 1900. [3137]

CITY HALL.
BOXING TOURNAMENT.

A GRAND SCIENTIFIC BOXING TOURNAMENT open to all Weights, commonly known as a CATCH WEIGHT COMPETITION, will take place in the City Hall on WEDNESDAY, the 19th inst., at 7 p.m. sharp, for a Silver Cup presented by Mr. W. B. WATERS.

The preliminary bouts will be of three minutes duration, and the Marquis of Queensberry Rules, and the final to consist of Eight Rounds.

Contestants to use 6 ounce gloves.

Tickets for Special Reserved Seats on Stage and in Dress Circle can be obtained at the ROBINSON PIANO CO., where Box plan will be on view.

The decisions will be given strictly upon points if the men are on their feet at the expiration of the round.

For further particulars see Programme on Saturday.

Hongkong, 14th December, 1900. [3139]

THE HONGKONG WEEKLY PRESS

will be ready to-morrow and will contain—

Leading Articles—

The Allies and the Chinese Government.

Affairs in the North.

Britain, the States, and China.

The Government and British Interests in North China.

The Plague in 1900.

The Destruction of Refugees.

The Crisis: Telegrams.

Legislative Council.

The Crisis in China.

Supreme Court.

Concert in St. George's Hall.

Fire in Queen's Road Central.

Matched Fire at Happy Valley.

The Dramatic Season.

Oxford Local Examination.

Navy League: Hongkong Branch.

Cartoon.

Newswang.

Manila.

Formosa.

Fund in Aid of Sufferers from the Typhoon.

Correspondence.

Punjab Mining Co.

Cricket.

Football.

Royal Hongkong Yacht Club.

Hongkong Chess Club.

Hongkong Volunteer Corps.

Hongkong and Port News.

Subscription, \$12 per Annum, payable in advance; postage, \$2.

Extra copies 30 cents each, Cash.

Copies can be posted from the Office to addresses sent; including postage 54 cents each, or \$1 for three copies Cash.

Hongkong, 14th December, 1900.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

No. 1187.

TENDERS with Detailed Specifications will be received at the Colonial Secretary's Office up to NOON of FRIDAY, the 1st February, 1901, for the Construction and Supply of TWO WOODEN or COMPOSITE STEAM FERRY BOATS for the JOZORE STRAITS. (See Admiralty Chart No. 2493.)

Length 90 feet over all.

Breadth 20 feet over all.

Maximum draft 7 feet.

The vessels to be of sufficient stability to carry passengers on a shallow deck about one half of their length.

To be driven by single or twin screw engines at a speed of 9 knots on the measured mile. If composite built, the frames and scantlings throughout to be accessible for painting and preservation from corrosion. Coaling to be dispensed with as far as possible, whilst coaling there is to be of hard wood. The outside planking to be of teak of substantial thickness.

If of wood to be built of Java teak or Panaga crooks for frames, &c. with teak planking and hard wood ceiling.

The boats to be sheathed to well above the water line with 18 oz. yellow metal.

Tender must state the price—1st with fittings to burn liquid fuel, carrying a sufficient supply to steam about 500 knots—2nd with fittings for burning wood fuel—3rd with fittings which can be altered for burning liquid or wood fuel as found expedient.

The boats must be built for and fitted with towing hooks and other fittings and gear for towing a 40 ton tugboat.

One short mast forward for light and signalling and a teak wood dandy to be supplied with each vessel.

First Class and Native passenger accommodation to be separate. Space for baggage to be provided below.

Any further information can be obtained from the Master Attendant, Singapore.

Tenders to state the date on which the boats can be completed and delivered in Singapore.

The Government does not undertake to accept the lowest or any tender.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Singapore, 22nd October, 1900. [2514]

CHRISTMAS 1900.

The undersigned is now prepared to SUPPLY CHRISTMAS CAKES of the best quality, weighing from 1 to 10 lbs., ready on hand, and can be made to order from 10 to 40 lbs. Also MINCE-PIES, ASSORTED CAKES, &c. &c.

DORABEE NOWROOEE,
Proprietor,
Hongkong Bakery,
No. 51, Des Vaux Road.
Hongkong, 11th December, 1900. [3113]

QUAN WAI & CO.

DEALERS IN
ITALIAN MARBLE AND GRANITE
MONUMENTS.
DESIGNS & PRICES on APPLICATION
at No. 1, Queen's Road East, Hongkong.
Hongkong, 17th October, 1899. [2588]

AUCTION

THE ON TAI MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.
(IN LIQUIDATION).

MESSRS. HUGHES & HOUGH have received instructions from the Liquidator of the ON TAI MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED, to offer for Sale by PUBLIC AUCTION, on

THURSDAY,
the 20th December, 1900, at 3 o'clock P.M., on the Premises,

All those very Valuable Pieces or Parcels of GROUND centrally situated near the Harbour Office at Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, and Registered in the Land Office as Sub-section Nos. 1 and 2 of Section D of Marine Lot No. 225, together with the Praya Reclamation thereto.

The Property will be offered for Sale in SIX LOTS as under—

Lot No. 1.—All that very Valuable Corner, Piece, or Parcel of GROUND registered and intended to be registered in the Land Office as Sub-section No. 1 of Section D of Marine Lot No. 225 and Section A of the Reclamation thereto with the Messuages or Tenements thereon known as Nos. 4, 6, 10, 12, and 14, Des Vaux Road West (formerly Nos. 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10, Praya West) together with a right of way over proposed road 25 feet wide at present proposed part of the said Reclamation. The Premises contain an Area of 4,520 square feet or thereabouts and as to Sub-section No. 1 of Section D of Marine Lot No. 225, 225 are held for the unexpired residue of the term of 999 years from the 23rd December, 1871, at the apportioned Annual Crown Rent of \$69.00, and as to the premises Section A of the Reclamation thereto for the term of 999 years to be granted under the Praya Reclamation Ordinance, 1889.

Lot No. 2.—All that very Valuable Piece or Parcel of GROUND registered and intended to be registered in the Land Office as Sub-section No. 2 of Section D of Marine Lot No. 225 and Section A of the Reclamation thereto with the Messuages or Tenements thereon known as No. 16, Des Vaux Road West (formerly No. 11, Praya West) and No. 1, Tung Loi Lane, together with a right of way over the said proposed road. The Premises contain an Area of 1,551 square feet or thereabouts and as to Sub-section No. 2 of Section D of Marine Lot No. 225 are held for the unexpired residue of the said term of 999 years at the apportioned yearly Crown Rent of \$24.70, and as to Section A of the Reclamation thereto are held for the residue of a term of 999 years to be granted under the Praya Reclamation Ordinance, 1889.

Lot No. 3.—All that very Valuable Piece or Parcel of Praya Reclamation GROUND fronting Connaught Road and intended to be registered in the Land Office as Section B of the Reclamation to Sub-section No. 2 of Section D of Marine Lot No. 225, and having a frontage to Connaught Road of 15 feet 2 1/2 inches or thereabouts and a depth on the West side of 127 feet 2 inches or thereabouts and on the East side of 138 feet 6 inches or thereabouts and an Area of 1,945 square feet or thereabouts together with a right of way over the said proposed road but subject to a right of way over the portion of the said Piece or Parcel of GROUND shown on the sale plan annexed to the Particulars and Conditions of Sale and thereon coloured Yellow edged with Brown. The Premises are held under the Praya Reclamation Ordinance, 1889, for the term of 999 years to be granted thereunder at the apportioned yearly Crown Rent of \$40.00.

Lot No. 4.—All that very Valuable Piece or Parcel of Praya Reclamation GROUND, fronting Connaught Road, and intended to be registered in the Land Office as Section B of the Reclamation to Sub-section No. 1 of Section D of Marine Lot No. 225 and having a frontage to Connaught Road of 15 feet 2 1/2 inches or thereabouts and a depth on the West side of 132 feet 6 inches or thereabouts and on the East side of 1,036 square feet or thereabouts together with a right of way over the said proposed road but subject to a right of way over the portion of the said Piece or Parcel of GROUND shown on the said sale plan annexed to the Particulars and Conditions of Sale and thereon coloured Yellow edged with Green. The premises are held under the Praya Reclamation Ordinance, 1889, for the term of 999 years to be granted thereunder at the apportioned annual Crown Rent of \$40.00.

Lot No. 5.—All that very Valuable Piece or Parcel of Praya Reclamation GROUND fronting Connaught Road and intended to be registered in the Land Office as Section C of the Reclamation to Sub-section No. 1 of Section D of Marine Lot No. 225 and having a frontage to Connaught Road of 15 feet 2 1/2 inches or thereabouts and a depth on the West side of 130 feet or thereabouts and on the East side of 1,900 square feet or thereabouts and an Area of 1,900 square feet or thereabouts together with a right of way over the said proposed road but subject to a right of way over the portion of the said Piece or Parcel of GROUND shown on the said sale plan annexed to the Particulars and Conditions of Sale and thereon coloured Yellow edged with Red. The premises are held under the Praya Reclamation Ordinance, 1889, for the term of 999 years to be granted thereunder at the apportioned annual Crown Rent of \$40.00.

Lot No. 6.—All that very Valuable Piece or Parcel of Praya Reclamation GROUND fronting Connaught Road and intended to be registered in the Land Office as The Remaining Portion of the Reclamation to Sub-section No. 1 of Section D of Marine Lot No. 225 and having a frontage to Connaught Road of 15 feet 2 1/2 inches or thereabouts and a depth on the West side thereof of 131 feet 6 inches or thereabouts and on the East side thereof of 133 feet or thereabouts together with a right of way over the said proposed road but subject to a right of way over the portion of the said Piece or Parcel of GROUND shown on the said sale plan annexed to the Particulars and Conditions of Sale and thereon coloured Yellow edged with Blue. The premises are held under the Praya Reclamation Ordinance, 1889, for the term of 999 years to be granted thereunder at the apportioned annual Crown Rent of \$40.00. Particulars and Conditions of Sale may be obtained of

Messrs. DRAGON & HASTINGS,
10, Queen's Road,
Vendor's Solicitors, and of
Messrs. HUGHES & HOUGH,
The Auctioneers.
Hongkong, 12th December, 1900. [3127]

PUBLIC COMPANIES

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.
NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRA-ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above Company will be held at the Company's Office, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, Hongkong, on THURSDAY, the 20th day of December, 1900, at TWELVE O'CLOCK NOON, when the subjoined Resolution, which was passed at an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on the 4th December, 1900, will be submitted for confirmation as a Special Resolution.

RESOLUTION:—
"That the Regulations approved by this meeting and for the purposes of identification subscribed by the General Managers be and the same are hereby approved. And that such Regulations be and they are hereby adopted as the Regulations of the Company to the exclusion of all existing Regulations thereof."
By Order.
A. H. MANCELL,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 5th December, 1900. [3070]

THE HONGKONG COTTON SPINNING, WEAVING & DYING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRA-ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company will be held at the Company's Office, No. 4, Foller Street, Victoria, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 22nd December, 1900, at 12 O'CLOCK NOON, when the subjoined Resolution will be proposed. Should the Resolution be passed by the required majority it will be submitted for confirmation as a Special Resolution to be subsequently convened.

RESOLUTION:—
That the following Section be substituted for Section 2 of Article XVI, namely:—

"2.—The General Managers may from time to time advance and lend for the purposes of the Company such monies as they may think necessary or desirable, at such rate of interest, and upon such terms as they may think fit, but so that the total amount for the time being so advanced and lent shall not at any one time exceed the sum of Two Millions of Dollars. All advances and Loans which up to the date hereof have been made by the General Managers for the purposes of the Company are hereby agreed to and confirmed, and shall be deemed to be, and shall be part of and included in the said sum of Two Millions of Dollars, and as security for the said sum of Two Millions of Dollars and every part thereof the General Managers may from time to time mortgage or charge all any, or either or any parts or parcels of the Company's Property, Lands, Stock-in-trade, Machinery, Goods, Chattels and Effects."
J. A. DINE, MATHESON & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 7th December, 1900. [3068]

THE PUNJON MINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRA-ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above-named Company will be held at the Company's Office, Nos. 12 and 14, Des Vaux Road, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, on MONDAY, the 24th day of December, 1900, at 3 O'CLOCK in the AFTERNOON, when the subjoined Resolution, which was passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting held on the 8th day of December, 1900, will be submitted for confirmation as a Special Resolution.

RESOLUTIONS.
1.—That the Capital of the Company be increased by the creation and issue of 60,000 New Ordinary Shares of \$10 each, with the sum of \$8 paid up on each, and that the Directors be empowered and authorised to accept surrenders of the present 30,000 Ordinary Shares of the Company of \$8 each on which the sum of \$8 each has been paid up, and that one New Share, to be given in lieu of and in exchange for each old share of \$8 paid up, and that thereupon the said old shares be cancelled.
2.—That of the remaining \$2 payable in respect of each of the New Shares, the sum of \$1 be paid on the surrender of the old share, and that the residue be (if necessary) called up and paid at such times and in such instalments as the Board may determine.
By Order of the Board of Directors.
W. H. GASKELL,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 10th December, 1900. [3110]

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC COMPANY, LIMITED.

SHAREHOLDERS, who have not yet PAID the Call of \$8 per Share on the New Issue of Shares, due on 1st instant, are hereby reminded that the same should be paid forthwith and scrip sent in to the Company's Office for endorsement; and notice is hereby given that, in accordance with the provisions of the Company's Articles of Association, interest at the rate of 12 per cent. per Annum from 1st inst. till date of payment will be charged on all such calls outstanding after this date.
By Order.
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 15th November, 1900. [2593]

CHRISTMAS GOODS.

MESSRS. JEEJEEHOY & CO., of 19c, Hollywood Road, beg to notify the Public that they have just unpacked, ex recent arrivals, a Large FRESH and VARIED STOCK of GOODS suitable for the Festive Season, comprising—CHOCOLATES of all kinds in Plain Boxes, Plain Bags, Fancy Boxes and Retail, Callard and Bowser's celebrated SWEETS of all kinds, XMAS and NEW YEAR CARDS, Cakes and Biscuits, well's PROVISIONS, York Cut BAKES, best quality of WINES and SPIRITS, Hamper and Palmer's BISCUITS, PERFUMERY, POSE SOAP, FANCY NOTE PAPER, &c. PRICES MODERATE.
Hongkong, 10th December, 1900. [3107]

CHRISTMAS! CHRISTMAS!

TOYS, TOYS, TOYS of all descriptions.
CRACKERS in beautiful variety.
SWEETS, CHRISTMAS CAKES &c.
CHRISTMAS and NEW YEAR CARDS.
Speciality.
THE MUTUAL STORES,
8 & 12, D'Aguiar Street.
Hongkong, 24th November, 1900. [2596]

BANKS.

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL \$1,000,000
PAID-UP CAPITAL \$ 324,374

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.
CHAN KIT SIEN, Esq. D. GILLIES, Esq.
CHOW TUNG SHANG, Esq. J. T. LAU, Esq.
Chief Manager,
3rd W. F. PLATFAIR.

Interest for 12 Months Fixed.....5%.

Hongkong, 23rd March, 1899. [19]

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL \$10,000,000
RESERVE FUND \$10,000,000
SILVER RESERVE 2,000,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS \$10,000,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS.
N. A. SIEN, Esq.—Chairman.
R. SHAW, Esq.—Deputy Chairman.
E. Gootz, Esq. A. J. Raymond, Esq.
Hon. R. M. Gray R. E. Richardson, Esq.
Hon. J. J. Kewick P. Sachs, Esq.
D. Meyer Moses, Esq. H. W. Slade, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER:
Hongkong—SIR THOMAS JACKSON.

MANAGER:
Shanghai—J. P. WADE GARDNER, Esq.

LONDON BANKERS—LONDON AND COUNTY BANKING COMPANY, LIMITED.

HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED.
On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per Annum on the daily balance.

On FIXED DEPOSITS.
For 3 months, 2 1/2 per cent. per Annum.
For 6 months, 3 1/2 per cent. per Annum.
For 12 months, 4 1/2 per cent. per Annum.
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 4th October, 1900. [17]

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rates may be obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 3 1/2 per cent. per annum.

Depositors may transfer at their option balances of \$100 or more to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXED DEPOSITS at 4 per cent. per annum.

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 4th October, 1900. [18]

IMPERIAL BANK OF CHINA

ESTABLISHED BY IMPERIAL DECREE OF THE 12TH NOVEMBER, 1896.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL—Shanghai Tls. 5,000,000
PAID-UP CAPITAL 2,500,000

HEAD OFFICE—SHANGHAI.

BRANCHES AND AGENCIES.
Canton
Chefoo
Chinkiang
Chungking
Poochow
Tientsin.

The Bank purchases and receives for collection Bills of Exchange drawn on the above places, and sells Drafts and Telegraphic Transfers payable at its Branches and Agencies.

HONGKONG BRANCH.
Advances made on approved securities. Bills Discounted.

INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS.
At 2 1/2 per annum on Current Account daily balances.

On Fixed Deposits for 3 months.
3 1/2 per annum on Fixed Deposits for 6 months.
4 1/2 per annum on Fixed Deposits for 12 months.
E. W. RUTTEE,
Acting Manager.
Hongkong, 2nd February, 1900. [22]

THE BANK OF CHINA & JAPAN, LIMITED.

WORKING CAPITAL over \$215,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHAREHOLDERS fully \$425,000
HOLDERS 2840,000

HEAD OFFICE:
36, Nicholas Lane, London.

BRANCHES:
Hongkong, Shanghai, Singapore.

AGENCIES:
Yokohama, Kobe, Penang, Bombay, Calcutta, Madras, Colombo, Rangoon, Java, Lyons, and Paris.

BANKERS:
The Bank of England and the Capital and Counties Bank, Limited.

General Manager—F. C. BISHOP.

INTEREST ALLOWED.
On Current Accounts 2 per cent.
On Fixed Deposits 3 months 4
Do. 6 months 4 1/2
Do. 12 months 5

The Bank buys and sells and receives for collection Bills of Exchange on, and transacts general banking business with, the above places.
Hongkong, 24th October, 1900. [23]

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL \$1,500,000
SUBSCRIBED 2,562,500
PAID-UP 2,562,500
RESERVE FUND 30,000

LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LIMITED.

INTEREST allowed on Current Accounts at the rate of 2 1/2 per annum on the Daily balance.

On Fixed Deposits—
For 12 months 4 1/2 per cent.
For 6 months 4 per cent.
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T. THURBURN,
Manager, Hongkong.
Hongkong, 24th March, 1900. [20]

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HIROMI KAWASAKI,
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Taipei, 5th October, 1900. [3138]

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TARO HODSUMI,
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Hongkong, 21st November, 1900. [758]

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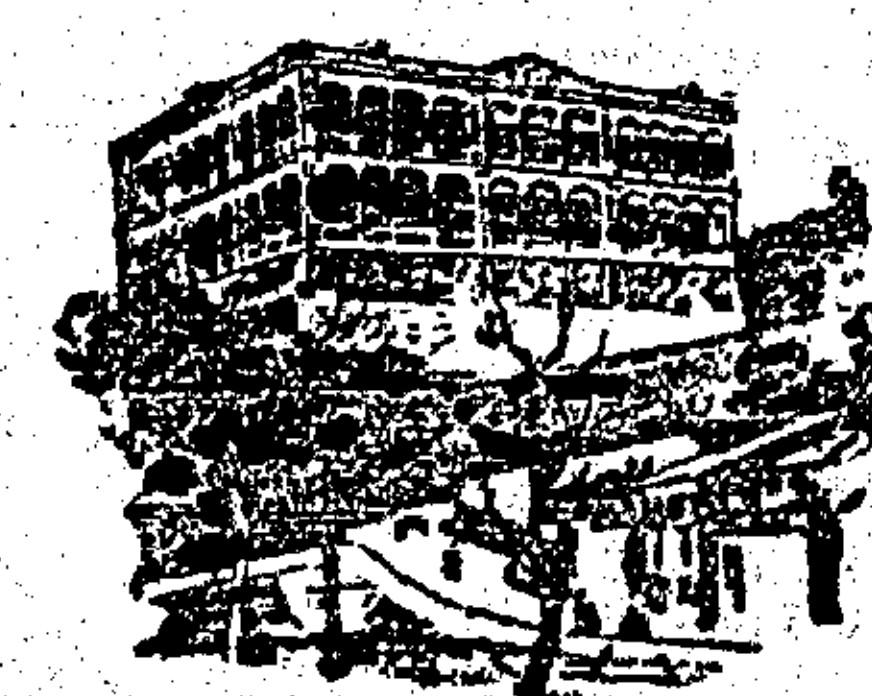
BEACONSFIELD ARCADE, Hongkong, 10th November, 1900. [2361]

COLD STORAGE

THE HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LIMITED is now prepared to receive perishable provisions for Cold Storage at EAST POINT at Moderate Rates. W. M. PARLANE, Manager. Hongkong, 17th February, 1899. [69]

HOTELS

"BOA VISTA" HOTEL, MACAO.



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SITUATION UNOCCUPIED. The Finest Hotel in the East. Rooms on suite. Every Room with Private Bathroom. Cuisine under two French Chefs. GURRIER A SPECIALITY. Every Room Comfort. Electric Bells throughout the Hotel. Electric Lights. Electric Fans. Terms Moderate. SARKIES BROTHERS, Proprietors. Hongkong, 10th August, 1900. [2421]

SCIENTIFIC MISCELLANY.

A HUMAN BLOODHOUND—ARCTIC IMMIGRANTS FORWARDED—CURIOUS COLOUR-CHANGING—A SUBMARINE WORKSHOP—METAL DISSOLVING BY PRESSURE—A TRICK IN PHYSICS—GLASS SPRINGS—MAPS OF CLIMATES—HOT WEATHER MIGRATION—ELECTRICITY AND RHEUMATISM—CHEMICAL COLOURING OF FLOWERS—LIFE AWAY FROM MAN—"MELTED" WOOD.

The sense of smell, so notably developed in savages and some of the lower animals, is not ordinarily very acute among civilized people. An extraordinary exception has been brought to notice by Dr. Bott, a German observer. In one of his male friends the sense is so keen that acquaintances are at once recognized by their personal odour at a distance of several paces, and the man makes no mistakes even when securely blindfolded. The faculty is not keener in the bloodhound. This individual asserts that every family has its characteristic odour, and that members of the family are to be distinguished by the degree of the odour.

A new animal is to be given to Sweden if the efforts of Herr Kolthoff prove successful. A male and a female calf of the musk ox have been brought from the north, and as soon as they are acclimated they are to be liberated in the mountains, where it is believed their descendants will multiply rapidly. The animal is to be reared not so much for its flesh as for its thick brown hair. The long hair is useful for some purposes, but the fine wool beneath would be highly prized if it could be supplied in quantity.

The several varieties of prawns studied by Messrs. F. W. Gamble and F. W. Koble adapt their colours by day to those of the surrounding weeds; but always turn blue at night. In newly-caught specimens the morning and evening changes are made at the regular time, even if the conditions of light are changed.

The diving bell used for work on the new dry docks at Kiel is 138 feet long and 46 feet wide, with a working space height of 8 feet. It has a suspension frame supported by two barges, and is divided into chambers for the workmen and two for electric cables to supply concrete and other materials.

The striking results of his long-continued experiments on the agglomeration of the materials by pressure have been summarized by Prof. Spring, of Liège. Particles of all plastic substances may be welded together by pressure alone, and mixtures of metals become alloyed exactly as when heated—copper and tin filings producing bronze and copper and zinc filings forming brass, while zinc and lead filings alloy no better than when melted. This welding of particles is explained as due to the forming of a solid solution at the interfaces under pressure. Pairs of flat-ended cylinders were placed for three to twelve hours in a stove, at a temperature at least 300 deg. F. below the melting point of the most easily fused of the metals and 288 deg. below that of platinum, and under no greater pressure than that of the upper cylinder, the couples of platinum and other metals became so firmly joined that after turning in a lathe the point of union could not be detected, while in the case of the zinc-copper couple a layer of brass 1/100 of an inch thick was plainly to be seen. Metals incapable of dissolving each other—such as zinc and lead—showed no sign of union. No amount of pressure—even up to that equivalent to a thickness of thirty miles of rock—could make sand and limestone particles unite, but as water under great pressure dissolved considerable silica, which was deposited on release of pressure, it was concluded that this silica solution has formed the cement binding together the grains of our sedimentary rocks.

A curious experiment to which attention has been lately directed consisted in blackening a teaspoon or an egg over a candle, and then plunging the object into a vessel of water. In the liquid the sooty coating disappears, the spoon or egg becoming at once like polished silver. It is explained that the water cannot penetrate the layer of lampblack, but adapts itself to the shape of the object and reflects the light like a brilliant mirror.

A chronometer with a glass balance spring was tested at Greenwich many years ago. Surprise has been expressed that this should have been forgotten, for the spring proved successful, with the advantage over metal of requiring very little compensation. This spring, like those of steel, seemed to gain in elasticity after some months of use.

While great heat or great humidity alone may be safely endured, both combined may make a climate quite unbearable for Europeans. Mr. E. G. Ravenstein proposes mapping the earth so as to divide its climates into sixteen hydro-thermal types, viz.: (1) Hot (temperature 73 deg. and over), and very damp (humidity 81 per cent. or more), as in Batavia, Camarons, Mombasa, Havana, Calcutta. (2) Hot and dry (51-65 per cent.); Bagdad, Lahore, Khartum. (3) Hot and very dry (50 per cent. or less): Dissa, Wadi Halfa, Kuka. (4) Warm (68 deg. to 72 deg. and damp; Walvisch Bay, Africa. (5) Warm and moderately damp: Lisbon, Rome, Damascus, Tokyo, New Orleans. (6) Warm and dry: Cairo, Algiers, Kimberley. (7) Warm

GOING INSANE.

A. L. Rimer, of Stony Brook, N. Y., says—I was for a long time troubled with sleeplessness with intense neuralgic pains in the head, which made me feel as though I was going insane. The physician could do nothing for me. I heard of some extraordinary cures effected by Dr. J. C. Stone, and resolved to give it a trial. In five minutes after the first application, I was entirely relieved from pain. I can now enjoy a good night's rest. Sold at E. J. Torla Dispensary, Ltd. Agents for Hongkong: "THE YIC TORLA DISPENSARY, LTD." [2421]

and very dry: Mexico, Toheran. (9) Cool (33 deg. to 57 deg.) and very damp: Greenwich, Cochabamba. (10) Cool and moderately damp: Vienna, Melbourne, Toronto, Chicago. (11) Cool and dry: Tashkent, Simla, Cheyenne. (12) Cool and very dry: Yarkand, Denver. (13) Cold (32 deg. or less) and very damp: Ben Nevis, Sagastay, Godthaab. (14) Cold and moderately damp: Tomak, Pike's Peak. (15) Cold and dry. (16) Cold and very dry: Pamirs. The actual mean temperature of the earth is found to be 57 deg. The annual range of humidity varies from about 16 per cent. near the oceans to 45 per cent. or more in the continental interiors, the humidity of Yarkand being 30 per cent. in May and 84 per cent. in December.

A remarkable swarming of a species of dragon fly (Libellula quadrimaculata) is reported to have been noticed in Belgium on the 5th and 10th of last June. On both occasions the temperature was high, and the insects flew against the wind. A part of the second swarm seems to have reached England. To explain this singular migration, it is suggested that the individuals of a locality were seized with an uncontrollable migratory impulse, and were progressively joined by others as they journeyed.

Supposed muscular rheumatism has been attributed by Sir James Grant, M.D., to storage of electricity in the tissues. For many years he has treated such cases by inserting fine steel needles into the muscles, and the discharge of electricity through these needles brings almost instant relief.

The changing of certain growing flowers from red to blue on applying alum, etc., to the roots of the plants has been long known; but it has remained for the late systematic researches of Miyoshi, a Japanese botanist, to open up remarkable new possibilities of colouration by the florist. This experimenter prepared watery extracts of seventy-three different flowers of lilac, purple and red colours, and of a number of red leaves, treating these solutions in turn with acids, alkalis and salts. What seemed to be the same colouring matter in different solutions gave greatly varying results. In most cases, alum turned lilac to blue, pink or deeper lilac, hydrochloric acid changed lilac or pale red into deep red, sodium producing lilac, green or brown; and caustic potash changed lilac into green, or, sometimes, yellow. In practice these colour transformations should follow the application of the chemicals to the plant roots.

A speck of land in the Indian Ocean, separated from Java by 200 miles of sea reaching a depth of 3,000 fathoms, is one of the most interesting spots on earth to the naturalist, for it has an isolated fauna and flora not yet changed by man. It is known as Christmas Island. In his recent exploration, M. C. W. Andrews, of the British Museum, found the island to consist of a variety of tertiary and recent limestones in addition to igneous rocks, and to be able to claim about 10 per cent. of its plants and 45 per cent. of its animals as peculiar to itself. In all, 319 animal species were enumerated. They include 31 species of birds, 5 of mammals and 6 of reptiles, not less than 16 species in these groups being unknown elsewhere.

"TELL YOU THE SECRET."

Only one thing keeps me in England during the winter—the lack of money to get away. As it is I stay in London at times, and at odd hours, I have dreamt of summer climates. But, so far, I have escaped the influence of disagreeable and dangerous diseases, the friend of doctors, under-takers, and grave-diggers. There is plenty of it about now, and likely to be more before the grass is green again. What do I do to stave off influenza, or, as the Americans call it, the "grip"? Be good enough to listen to Mrs. Annie Stone for a minute, and then I'll tell you. She lives in Chapel Street, Kilburn, near Derby, and her letter is dated about a year ago. "At Easter, 1893," she goes on to say, "I had a bad attack of influenza. After it went away I left me very weak and low. Do what I would my strength did not come back. I was just able to crawl about, and that was all. I sat at table and looked at the food, but had no relish or longing for it. Because every time I ate anything like a meal it gave me terrible pain at the chest and sides and in the upper part of the back. "Then there was the heart trouble, too. I had spells of palpitation so bad that they kept me awake of nights and left me to sleep the day more tired and exhausted than a well person is after many hours of hard work. "For over four years I suffered in this way, seeing doctors and taking medicines, until I was weary of trying to get cured. By good luck which it may be better to call a merciful Providence, I then read about what Mother Seigel's Syrup had done for others in my condition, and bought a bottle at the Ripley Co-operative Stores, Kilburn Branch, and commenced taking it. "I began to improve right away. My appetite seemed to rouse up. I ate freely, and a few food digested and caused me no pain. In a few weeks more of using the Syrup, the complaint and ailments were all gone, and I found myself as strong and well as ever. I take a dose now and then as a preventive, which I think a good plan, and enjoy my Mother Seigel's Syrup as the best and surest remedy I ever met with or heard of. "Now a word about the influenza. It is a germ disease, which attacks almost invariably those who are old, weak and low, with indigestion or dyspepsia, and troubled with (consequently) impure blood. Mrs. Stone was previously in this state, or the influenza would never have knocked at her door. "It may sound a queer thing to say, but I discovered that those who are already ill, yet it is so. As Mrs. I know my stomach right, my bowels open, and my blood pure by a daily dose of Mother Seigel's, and snap my fingers at every thing the London fog included."

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NOTICE

MR. SCHARRE, JEWELLER, of 17, Queen's Road, begs to notify his patrons that owing to sudden sickness he will be unable to attend to business for the next few days. Hongkong, 12th December, 1900. [3128]

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VESSELS ON THE BERTH TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

TO SAN FRANCISCO VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG. HONGKONG MARU (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu) TUESDAY, Dec. 18, 1900, at Noon. NIPPON MARU (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu) SATURDAY, Jan. 12, 1901, at Noon. AMERICA MARU (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu) THURSDAY, Feb. 7, 1901, at Noon.

THE Twin-Screw Steamship

"HONGKONG MARU" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA, and HONOLULU on TUESDAY, the 18th December, 1900, at Noon, taking Freight and Passengers for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at HONOLULU, and Passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates may be obtained on application.

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Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

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Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until 5 P.M. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco in the United States should be sent to the Company's Office in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, Queen's Building. J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent. Hongkong, 26th November, 1900. [2421]

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THE Company's Steamship "DORIC" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA, and HONOLULU on SATURDAY, the 5 January, 1901, at Noon.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN and call at HONOLULU, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

Through Passenger Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates and particulars of the various Routes may be obtained upon application.

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DESTINATION	VESSEL'S NAME	FLAG & RIG	BERTH	CAPTAIN	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED
LONDON	SCOTIA	Brit. str.	—	T. H. Hide, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	To-morrow, at Noon.
LONDON, &c. VIA PORTS OF CALL	CLYDE	Brit. str.	—	A. L. Valentini	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 22nd inst., at Noon.
LONDON	ACHILLES	Brit. str.	—	Bardett	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 25th inst.
LIVERPOOL	ULYSSES	Brit. str.	—	Brown	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 8th Jan.
BRIMEN, VIA PORTS OF CALL	PRINZ HEINRICH	Ger. str.	—	Edmondson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 8th Jan.
MAISELLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, V. ST. PIERRE, &c.	INABA MARU	Jap. str.	—	W. Bainbridge	MELCHERS & CO.	On 26th inst., at Noon.
MAISELLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, V. ST. PIERRE, &c.	ERNEST SIMONS	Fr. str.	—	Dutroux	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	To-day, at Noon.
MAISELLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, V. ST. PIERRE, &c.	SHINANO MARU	Jap. str.	—	G. E. P. Cook	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 17th inst., at 1 P.M.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA COLOMBO	ARAGONIA	Ger. str.	—	Forst	CARLOWITZ & CO.	On 28th inst., at Daylight.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	WITTENBERG	Ger. str.	—	Hempel	CARLOWITZ & CO.	On 22nd inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SAMBIA	Ger. str.	—	Schmidt	CARLOWITZ & CO.	On or about 30th inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SIBERIA	Ger. str.	—	Müller	CARLOWITZ & CO.	On or about 12th Jan.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SIBIRIA	Ger. str.	—	Braun	CARLOWITZ & CO.	On or about 22nd Jan.
NEW YORK VIA PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL	HUDSON	Brit. str.	—	—	DODWELL & CO. LIMITED	On or about 5th Feb.
NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL	VERONA	Brit. str.	—	E. G. Warner	McGREGOR BROS. & GOW	Quick despatch.
NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL	DEVONSHIRE	Brit. str.	—	Hansen	CARLOWITZ & CO.	On 17th inst.
NEW YORK	R. MORROW	Brit. ship	—	—	SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.	On or about 30th inst.
VANCOUVER, VIA SHANGHAI, &c.	EMPEROR OF JAPAN	Brit. str.	—	Douglas	ANHOLD, KARBURG & CO.	Quick despatch.
VICTORIA, B.C., & TACOMA VIA SHANGHAI, &c.	GLENOCLE	Brit. str.	—	H. Frakes, R.N.R.	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 18th inst.
VICTORIA & VANCOUVER, B.C., V. INLAND SEA, &c.	TARTAR	Brit. str.	—	G. D. Bennett, R.N.R.	DODWELL & CO. LIMITED	To-morrow.
PORTLAND, OREGON, &c. VIA JAPAN, &c.	ADATO	Brit. str.	—	J. McIntyre	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On or about 31st inst.
SAN FRANCISCO VIA SHANGHAI, &c.	HONGKONG MARU	Jap. str.	—	—	ANHOLD, KARBURG & CO.	On or about 30th inst.
SAN FRANCISCO VIA SHANGHAI, &c.	CHINA	Amr. str.	—	—	ANHOLD, KARBURG & CO.	On 18th inst., at Noon.
SAN FRANCISCO VIA AMOY, &c.	DORIC	Brit. str.	—	—	U. & O. S. S. CO.	On 5th Jan., at Noon.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	CARLISLE CITY	Brit. str.	—	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 17th inst.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	ROSETTA MARU	Jap. str.	—	—	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 28th inst., at 4 P.M.
NAGASAKI, SASEBO, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	YAMATO MARU	Jap. str.	—	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 19th inst.
NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	YAMATO MARU	Jap. str.	—	—	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 21st inst., at Daylight.
SHANGHAI	LYNEMOON	Brit. str.	—	Heuermann	EAST ASIATIC TRADING CO.	On 19th inst.
SHANGHAI	TAIWAN	Brit. str.	—	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-morrow, at 5 P.M.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	KINSHU MARU	Jap. str.	—	—	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 17th inst.
SHANGHAI	CHUSAN	Brit. str.	—	—	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 22nd inst., at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI & JAPAN	JAVA	Brit. str.	—	—	P. & O. S. N. CO.	On or about 22nd inst.
QUANG TRUEN WAN & HOIHOW, &c.	HUE	Fr. str.	—	—	P. & O. S. N. CO.	On or about 29th inst.
QUANG TRUEN WAN & AMOY	AKASHI MARU	Jap. str.	—	—	A. R. MARTY	On 19th inst., at 10 A.M.
SWATOW, AMOY & TAIWAN	TAMU MARU	Jap. str.	—	—	MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA	On 18th inst., at Daylight.
SWATOW, AMOY & TAIWAN	ANPING MARU	Jap. str.	—	—	MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA	On 26th inst., at Daylight.
SAMARANG & SOERABAYA	SHANTUNG	Brit. str.	—	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 19th inst.
MANILA	SUKUMANG	Brit. str.	—	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 20th inst.
CEBU & LOILO	KAIFONG	Brit. str.	—	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 18th inst.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & BOMBAY	BORMIDA	Ital. str.	—	—	CARLOWITZ & CO.	To-day, at Noon.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.
Dec. 12, KWANGLEE, British str., 1,467, R. L. Lincoln, Shanghai 9th Dec, General. — C. M. S. N. Co.
Dec. 13, KWONGSANG, British str., 380, Stalker, Canton 12th Dec, General. — JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.
Dec. 13, INABA MARU, Japanese str., 3,334, H. Bainbridge, Japan and Kobe 8th Dec, General. — NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.
Dec. 13, HATCHESON, British str., 1,307, T. H. Hide, Haiphong and Hoihow 10th Dec, General. — DOUGLAS LARPAK & CO.
Dec. 13, HONGKONG, French str., 862, Pannier, Haiphong and Hoihow 12th Dec, General. — A. R. MARTY.
Dec. 13, KIUNANG, British str., 1,240, Hopkins, Wuhu and Chinkiang 8th Dec, General. — BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.
Dec. 13, KWILIN, British str., 1,293, J. McKenzie, Wuhu 10th Dec, General. — BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.
Dec. 13, TAIWAN, British str., 1,459, Anderson, Hongkong 10th Dec, Coal. — BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.
Dec. 13, BUTESHIRE, British four-masted bark, 1,876, R. Purdie, Cardiff 20th July, Coal and Coke. — GOVERNMENT.

CLEARANCES.
AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE.
15th DECEMBER.
Hue, French str., for Kwong-shou-wan.
Ulysses, British str., for Singapore.
Inaba Maru, Japanese str., for Singapore.
Arlia, British str., for Sydney.
Antenor, British str., for Singapore.
Tyr, Norwegian str., for Vladivostok.
Looak, German str., for Bangkok.
Diamante, British str., for Manila.
Fuenyung, British str., for Manila.
Kwongung, British str., for Shanghai.

DEPARTURES.
Dec. 13, YUKRSANG, British str., for Manila.
Dec. 13, DIAMANTE, British str., for Manila.
Dec. 13, FORMOSA, British str., for Swatow.
Dec. 13, KWONGSANG, British str., for Shanghai.
Dec. 13, SUTSANG, British str., for Calcutta.
Dec. 13, BENOLUTHA, British str., for Shanghai.
Dec. 13, ESANG, British str., for Canton.
Dec. 13, TAIWAN, British str., for Canton.
Dec. 13, KIUNANG, British str., for Canton.
Dec. 13, KWANGLEE, British str., for Canton.
Dec. 13, LOOSOR, German str., for Bangkok.

VESSELS IN DOCK.
ABERDEEN DOCK.—Tartar, Clara, H.M.S. Titer, Empress of Japan, H.M.S. Sandpiper, sitau, Belgika.
COSMOPOLITAN DOCK.—Scindia, Argyl.

SHIPPING REPORTS.
The British steamer *Kwanglee*, from Shanghai 9th Dec., had light N. to N.W. winds to sea; thence moderate to fresh N.E. breeze till dull, misty weather off Ocken; thence to light winds and fine, clear weather with light sea.

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

FOR SHANGHAI
THE Steamship
"LYEEMOON."
Captain Heuermann, will be despatched for the above port TO-MORROW, the 16th inst., at 5 P.M.
The Steamer has superior accommodation for First and Second Class Passengers.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
EAST ASIATIC TRADING CO., Agents.
Hongkong, 8th December, 1900. [3103]

THE OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA, LIMITED.
FOR SWATOW, AMOY, AND TAMSUI
THE Company's Steamship
"TAMU MARU."
Captain K. Hasegawa, will be despatched for the above ports on SUNDAY, the 16th December, at Daylight.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
THE MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA, Agents.
Hongkong, 10th December, 1900. [15]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.
FOR SHANGHAI
THE Company's Steamship
"TAIWAN."
Captain Harder, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 17th inst.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
Hongkong, 14th December, 1900. [3117]

CALIFORNIA AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

IN CONNECTION WITH THE
ATCHESON, TOPEKA AND SANTA FE RAILROAD CO.
PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM
HONGKONG TO SAN DIEGO
AND SAN FRANCISCO,
VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND
HONOLULU.
TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS
TO JAPAN PORTS AND
HONOLULU.
THE UNITED STATES,
MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH
AMERICA, &c.
S.S. "CARLISLE CITY" On 17th Dec.
S.S. "BERGENHUS" On 25th Dec.

THE Steamship "CARLISLE CITY" will be despatched for SAN DIEGO and SAN FRANCISCO VIA MOJOI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on MONDAY, the 17th December.
Through Bills of Lading issued to any point in the United States.
Cargo will be received on board until 5 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until the same time. All parcels should be marked to address in full. Value of same is required.
Consular Invoices, to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Diego, should be sent to the Company's Office, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Diego.
For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
Hongkong, 13th December, 1900. [14]

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

AVIGAZIONE GENERALE ITALIANA
(FLORIO AND RUBATTONI UNITED COMPANIES).
TEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND BOMBAY.
ing connection with Company's Mail Steamers to ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, MENA, NAPLES, LEHORN and GENOA, also VENICE and TRIESTE, all MEDITERRANEAN, ADRIATIC, LEVANTINE and SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS up to CALLAO.
ing Cargo at through rates to PERSIAN GULF and BAGDAD, also BARCELONA, VALENZA, ALICANTE, ALMERIA and MALAGA.
HE Steamship
"BORMIDA,"
Capt. Sartorio, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 18th inst., at Noon.
The Bombay steamer is discharging in this Dock.
For further particulars regarding Freight, Passage, apply to
CARLOWITZ & CO., Agents.
Hongkong, 12th December, 1900. [7]

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.
FOR CEBU AND LOILO.
THE Company's Steamship
"KAIFONG."
Captain Pennesfather, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 18th inst.
The attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by this twin screw Steamer.
A duly qualified Surgeon is carried and the Vessel is fitted throughout with Electric Light.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
Hongkong, 14th December, 1900. [3114]

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.
FOR CEBU AND LOILO.
THE Company's Steamship
"KAIFONG."
Captain Pennesfather, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 18th inst.
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BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
Hongkong, 14th December, 1900. [3114]

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL ON	REMARKS.
LONDON	SCOTIA	Neon, 15th Dec.	Freight only.
LONDON, &c.	CLYDE	Neon, 22nd Dec.	See Special Advertisement.
SHANGHAI	CHUSAN	About 22nd Dec.	Freight or Passage.
SHANGHAI AND JAPAN	JAVA	About 29th Dec.	Freight or Passage.

PASSENGER SEASON, 1901.
S.S. PLASSY ... 7,240 tons March 30th } MARSEILLES AND LONDON DIRECT
S.S. SOBBAON ... 7,382 tons April 27th } —Without Transhipment.

For Further Particulars, apply to
A. M. MARSHALL,
Acting Superintendent.
Hongkong, 14th December, 1900. [1]

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP CO.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, VIA SHANGHAI INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.
FOR VICTORIA, B.C., AND TACOMA
IN CONNECTION WITH
NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY.

Steamer.	Tons.	Captain.	Proposed Sailing
GLENOCLE	3,750	W. Frakes	December 15
DUKE OF FIFE	3,321	J. S. Cox	December 21
VICTORIA	3,502	J. Fenton	December 28
QUEEN ADELAIDE	2,382	F. McNair	January 4

THE attention of Passengers is directed to the very cheap rates offered by this Line to the PACIFIC COAST and to the INTERIOR AND EASTERN CITIES of the UNITED STATES and to EUROPE.

HONGKONG TO LONDON, £52.
Excellent accommodation. First class Table. Doctor and STEWARDESSE carried.
Passengers to EUROPE may proceed by one of the First-Class ATLANTIC MAIL LINES.
HONGKONG TO NEW YORK, £48.

The Railroad travelling is second to none on the American Continent; two trans-continental trains daily from Tacoma; Dining Car is attached to trans-continental trains day and night; TACOMA to NEW YORK in 4 days. Magnificent Scenery of the Rocky and Cascade Mountains. The Yellowstone National Park route.

HONGKONG TO VICTORIA AND TACOMA, £35.
The best route to the Kootenai Gold Fields. Frequent sailings from VICTORIA and TACOMA to DYER and ST. MICHAEL'S. Frequent sailings from VICTORIA.

Rates of Passage to other Ports on application.
A Special rate allowed to members of Government Service.
For further information as to Passage or Freight, apply to
DODWELL & CO. LIMITED,
General Agents.
Hongkong, 14th December, 1900. [10]

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE

(FREIGHT SERVICE).

Taking Cargo at through rates to ANTWERP, AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, LISBON, OPORTO, LONDON, LIVERPOOL, GLASGOW, TRISTE, GENOA, PORTS IN THE LEVANTE, BLACK SEA and BALTIC PORTS, NORTH and SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.
ARAGONIA	(HAYRE & HAMBURG VIA COLOMBO)	On 22nd Dec. } Freight.
WITTENBERG	(HAYRE & HAMBURG)	About 30th Dec. } Freight.
SAMBIA	(HAYRE & HAMBURG)	About 12th Jan. } Freight.
SIBERIA	(HAYRE & HAMBURG)	About 22nd Jan. } Freight and Passage.
SIBIRIA	(HAYRE & HAMBURG)	About 5th Feb. } Freight and Passage.

For further particulars as to Freight, Passage, etc., apply to
CARLOWITZ & CO.,
HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE, NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD,
OSTASIATISCHER FRECHTDAMPFER DIENST.
Hongkong, 12th December, 1900. [12]

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD. HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN/HAMBURG.
PORTS IN THE LEVANTE, BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS;
ALSO
LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

STEAMERS WILL CALL AT SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS AND LUGGAGE.
N.B.—CARGO CAN BE TAKEN ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR THE PRINCIPAL PLACES IN RUSSIA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS.	SAILING DATES.
PRINZ HEINRICH	WEDNESDAY 26th December.
PRINZESS IRENE	WEDNESDAY 9th January, 1901.
PREUSSEN	WEDNESDAY 23rd January, 1901.
HAMBURG (Hamburg-Amerika Linie)	WEDNESDAY 6th February, 1901.
SACHSEN	WEDNESDAY 20th February, 1901.
KLAUSCHOU (Hamburg-Amerika Linie)	WEDNESDAY 6th March, 1901.
STUTTGART	WEDNESDAY 20th March, 1901.
KONIG ALBERT	WEDNESDAY 3rd April, 1901.
PRINZ HEINRICH	WEDNESDAY 17th April, 1901.
PRINZESS IRENE	WEDNESDAY 1st May, 1901.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 26th day of December, 1900, at Noon, the Steamship "PRINZ HEINRICH," of the Norddeutscher Lloyd, with MAILS, PASSENGERS SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave the Port as above, CALLING AT NAPLES AND GENOA.
Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon on Monday, the 24th December, Cargo and Specie will be received on Board until 5 P.M. on Tuesday, the 25th December, and Parcels will be received at the Agency's Office until Noon on Tuesday, the 25th December.

Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than \$2.50 and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cube in Measurement.
The Steamer has splendid accommodation and carries a Doctor and Stewardess.
Linen can be washed on board.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

For further Particulars, apply to
MELCHERS & CO.,
AGENTS.
Hongkong, 13th December, 1900. [8]

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.'S

ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.

THE FAST ROUTE BETWEEN CHINA, JAPAN, AND EUROPE, VIA CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES.
CALLING AT SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA AND VICTORIA, B.C.

SAFETY. SPEED. PUNCTUALITY.
Twin Screw Steamships—6,000 Tons—10,000 Horse-Power—Speed 19 knots.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

"EMPEROR OF JAPAN".....Comdr. H. Pybus, R.N.R. WEDNESDAY, 19th Dec., 1900
"EMPEROR OF CHINA".....Comdr. R. Archibald, R.N.R. WEDNESDAY, 16th Jan., 1901
"EMPEROR OF INDIA".....Comdr. O. P. Marshall, R.N.R. WEDNESDAY, 13th Feb., 1901

THE magnificent TWIN-SCREW STEAMSHIPS of this Line pass through the famous INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and usually make the voyage YOKOHAMA to VANCOUVER in 12 DAYS, saving THREE DAYS to a WEEK in the Trans-Pacific Journey and make connection at Vancouver with the PACIFIC TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE. Close connection which passengers to Great Britain and the Continent are given choice of.

Passengers Booked through to all principal points and AROUND THE WORLD. Return tickets to various points at reduced rates. Good for 4, 6, 9, and 12 months.
SPECIAL RATES (First class only) granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, and to European Officials in the Service of China and Japan Governments.

The attractive features of this Company's route embrace its PALATIAL STEAMSHIPS (second to none in the World), the LUXURANCE OF ITS TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS (the Company having received the highest award for same at recent Chicago World's Exhibition), and the diversity of MAGNIFICENT MOUNTAIN AND LAKE SCENERY through which the Railway passes.

THE DINING CARS and MOUNTAIN HOTELS of this route are owned and operated by the Company, and their appointments and Cuisine are unequalled.
For further information, Maps, Guide Books, Rates of Passage, &c., apply to
D. E. BROWN, General Agent,
Feddler's Street.
Hongkong, 22nd November, 1900. [9]

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA

(THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY).

PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.
INABA MARU	(MARSEILLES, LONDON, and ANTWERP, VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO & PORT SAID)	FRIDAY, 14th Dec., at Noon.
KANAGAWA MARU	(NAGASAKI, SASEBO, KOBE and YOKOHAMA)	FRIDAY, 21st Dec., at Daylight.
YAWATA MARU	(NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA)	FRIDAY, 21st Dec., at Noon.
KINSHU MARU	(SHANGHAI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA (Taking Cargo and Passengers for CANADA and UNITED STATES, transhipping at KOBE per s.s. Tosa Maru, sailing thence 4th January))	SATURDAY, 22nd Dec., at 4 P.M.
SHINANO MARU	(MARSEILLES, LONDON, and ANTWERP, VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO & PORT SAID)	FRIDAY, 28th Dec., at Daylight.
ROSETTA MARU	(SYDNEY and MELBOURNE, via MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE and BRISBANE)	FRIDAY, 28th Dec., at 4 P.M.

Through Passenger Tickets and Bills of Lading issued for the Principal Cities in the United States, Canada, and Europe, in connection with the GREAT NORTHERN RAILWAY and Atlantic Steamers.

For further information as to Freight, Passage, Sailings, &c., apply at the Company's Local Branch Office at Prince's Building, First Floor, Chater Road.
A. S. MIHARA,
Manager.
Hongkong, 11th December, 1900. [12]

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR STEAMERS CAPTAINS TO SAIL

FOR	STEAMERS	CAPTAINS	TO SAIL
LONDON	Calchas	Bardett	25th December, 1900.
LONDON	Achilles	Brown	8th January, 1901.
LIVERPOOL	Ulysses	Edmondson	14th December, 1900.

For Freight, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, 1st December, 1900. [12]

VESSELS ON THE BERTH COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES. PAQUEBOTS-POSTE FRANCAIS.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR
SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,
COLOMBO, PONDICHERRY, MADRAS,
CALCUTTA, DIBOUTI, EGYPT,
MARSEILLES, MEDITERRANEAN
AND BLACK SEA PORTS.
LONDON, HAVRE, BORDEAUX,
ALSO
PORTS OF BRAZIL AND RIVER PLATE.

ON MONDAY, the 17th December, 1900,
at 1 p.m. the Company's Steamship
"ERNEST SIMONS," Captain Durand,
with Mails, Passengers, Specie and Cargo, will
leave this port for MARSEILLES via ports of
call, WITHOUT TRANSHIPMENT.
Cargo and Specie will be registered for London
as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in
transit through Marseilles for the principal
places of Europe.
Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon,
Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m.
Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the 16th
December. (Parcels cannot be sent on board;
they must be left at the Agency's Office.)
Contents and Value of Packages are required.
For further Particulars, apply at the Com-
pany's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.
Hongkong, 8th December, 1900. [2]

GLEN LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR NEW YORK.

THE Company's Steamship
"GLENARTNEY,"
Captain E. G. Warren, will be despatched for
the above port on MONDAY, the 17th inst.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
McGREGOR BROS. & GOW,
Agents.
Hongkong, 11th December, 1900. [2543]

COMPAGNIE DE NAVIGATION TONKINOISE.

FOR QUANG TRUONG, HANOI,
PAKHOI AND HAIPHONG.
(Taking Cargo at through rates for HANOI,
NAM-DINH, DAI-CAU, YEN-BAY,
LIAO-KAY and other Provinces
of Tonkin.)

THE Steamship
"HUE,"
Captain Godin, will be despatched for the
above ports on WEDNESDAY, the 13th
instant, at 10 A.M.
The attention of Passengers is directed to
Superior Accommodation offered by this
Steamer. First-class Cabins and Saloon are
situated above the main deck and special
attention has been paid to ventilation
which renders the Saloon delightfully cool in
Summer.
The Saloon and Cabins are lighted through-
out by Electricity.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
B. B. BARTY,
2, Pedder's Street,
Hongkong, 12th December, 1900. [3129]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA.

THE Company's Steamship
"SUNGHIANG,"
Captain Moore, will be despatched as above
on THURSDAY, the 20th inst.
The attention of Passengers is directed to
the Superior Accommodation offered by this
Steamer. A duly qualified Surgeon is carried and
the Vessel is fitted throughout with Electric Light.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, 12th December, 1900. [3115]

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY. STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUS- TRALIA, INDIA, ADEEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.

THROUGH BILLS OF LADING ISSUED FOR
BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL
AND AMERICAN PORTS.

THE Company's Steamship

"CLYDE,"
Captain A. L. Valentini, carrying Her
Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this
port for Bombay on SATURDAY, the 22nd Decem-
ber, at Noon, taking passengers and cargo for
the above ports.
Silk and Valuable, all cargo for France, and
Tea for London (under arrangement) will be
transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceed-
ing direct to Marseilles and London; other
cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed via
Bombay with transhipment.
Parcels will be received at this Office until 4
p.m. the day before sailing. The contents and
value of all packages are required.
Shippers are particularly requested to note
the terms and conditions of the Company's
Bills of Lading.
For further particulars, apply to
A. M. MARSHALL,
Acting Superintendent.
Hongkong, 10th December, 1900. [1]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.

THE Company's Steamship
"TSINAN,"
Captain Anderson, will be despatched as above
on WEDNESDAY, the 19th inst.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, 13th December, 1900. [3044]

FOR NEW YORK VIA PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL.

With Liberty to Call at MANILA.

THE Steamship

"HUDSON,"
will be despatched for the above port about the
end of December, and will be followed by the
Steamship
"POLAR STAR,"
about the middle of January, 1901.
For Freight, apply to
DODWELL & CO., LD.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 8th December, 1900. [3045]

VESSELS ON THE BERTH.

THE OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA, LIMITED.

FOR FOOCHOW VIA SWATOW AND AMOI.

THE Company's Steamship
"AKASHI MARU,"
Captain K. Suzuki, will be despatched for the
above ports on WEDNESDAY, the 19th
instant.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
THE MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA,
Agents.
Hongkong, 6th December, 1900. [2524]

UNITED STATES AND CHINA-JAPAN STEAMSHIP LINE.

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE full-powered Steamship
"VERONA,"
Captain Hanson, will be despatched for the
above port on FRIDAY, the 21st December.
For Freight, apply to
CARLOWITZ & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 8th December, 1900. [3093]

U.S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

CHINA (via Shanghai, Hongkong, and Honolulu) THURSDAY, Dec. 27, at Noon.
land Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu)
CITY OF RIO DE JANEIRO (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, and Honolulu) TUESDAY, Jan. 22, 1901, at Noon.
Yokohama and Honolulu)
CITY OF Peking (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, and Honolulu) THURS., Feb. 14, 1901, at Noon.
Yokohama and Honolulu)

THE Company's Steamship "CHINA,"
will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO,
via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE,
INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA AND HONO-
LULU on THURSDAY, the 27th December,
at Noon.

Steamers of this line pass through the IN-
LAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at HONO-
LULU, and passengers are allowed to break
their journey at any point en route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to Eng-
land, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic
lines of steamers, and to the principal cities of
the United States or Canada. Rates may be
obtained on application.

Passengers holding through ORDERS TO
EUROPE have the choice of overland rail
routes from San Francisco, including the
SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC,
UNION PACIFIC, DENVER AND RIO GRANDE,
and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAYS; also the
CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of
\$4 in addition to the regular tariff rate.

Passengers holding orders for OVERLAND
CITIES in the United States have between
San Francisco and Chicago, the option of the
SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC,
UNION PACIFIC, DENVER AND RIO GRANDE,
and other direct connecting Railways and from
Chicago to destination the choice of direct lines.

Particulars of the various routes can be had
on application.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to
Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military,
Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European
Governments, in service of China and Japan, and to
Government officials and their families.

Through Bills of Lading issued for trans-
portation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports,
to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of
the United States, via Overland Railway, to
Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports
in Mexico, Central and South America, by the
Company's and connecting Steamers.

Freight will be received on board until 4 p.m.
the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages
will be received at the office until 5 p.m. same
day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to
address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo des-
tined to points beyond San Francisco in the
United States should be sent to the Company's
Office in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the
Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to passage and
Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company,
Queen's Building.
J. S. VAN BUREN,
Agent.
Hongkong, 5th December, 1900. [3]

OREGON AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

IN CONNECTION WITH THE OREGON RAILROAD & NAVIGATION COMPANY.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM
HONGKONG TO PORTLAND (OR.)
AND SAN FRANCISCO (CA.)
VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, KOBE
AND YOKOHAMA.
TAKING CARGO TO JAPAN PORTS,
THE UNITED STATES, AND
CANADA.

THE Steamship

"ADATO,"
2,145 tons, Captain J. McIntyre, will be despatched
for the above port on THURSDAY, the 20th Decem-
ber, at 10 A.M.
Through Bills of Lading issued to any point
in the United States and Canada.
Cargo will be received on board until 5 p.m.
the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages
will be accepted at the Office of the Under-
signed until the same time. All Parcels should be
marked to address in full.
Value of same is required.
Consular Invoices to accompany cargo
destined to points beyond Portland (Or.) should
be sent to the Company's Office, addressed to
the Collector of Customs, Portland (Or.).
For further information as to Freight rates,
apply to
ARNOLD, KARBURG & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 24th November, 1900. [3096]

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SAMARANG AND SOURABAYA.

THE Company's Steamship
"SHANTUNG,"
Captain Quayle, will be despatched as above
on WEDNESDAY, the 19th inst.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, 11th December, 1900. [3116]

THE OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOI, AND TAIWANFOO.

THE Company's Steamship
"ANPING MARU,"
Captain S. Asumi, will be despatched for the
above ports on WEDNESDAY, the 26th
December, at DAYLIGHT.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
THE MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA,
Agents.
Hongkong, 12th December, 1900. [1443]

SHEWAN TOMES & CO.'S NEW YORK LINE.

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship
"DEVONSHIRE,"
will be despatched for the above port on or about
the 20th December, 1900.
For Freight, apply to
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 8th December, 1900. [2538]

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY'S ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.

THE FAST ROUTE BETWEEN CHINA, JAPAN AND EUROPE VIA CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES.

THE Company's Steamship

"TAITAR,"
Captain G. D. Bowles, R.N.R., will leave
Hongkong on or about MONDAY, the 31st
December, 1900.
For VICTORIA AND VANCOUVER, B.C.
(via INLAND SEA, KOBE and YOKO-
HAMA).
Making close connection at Vancouver with
the Canadian Pacific Railway for all points in
Eastern Canada, the United States and Europe.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
D. E. BROWN,
General Agent, Hongkong.
Hongkong, 10th December, 1900. [3106]

FOR NEW YORK.

THE 33 L. II British Bark

"B. MORROW,"
Captain Douglas, having arrived, is now loading
here for the above port and will leave quick
despatch.
For Freight, apply to
ARNOLD, KARBURG & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 12th December, 1900. [2533]

NATAL LINE OF STEAMERS.

THE Undersigned GENERAL AGENTS
in CHINA AND JAPAN for the above Line
are prepared to issue THROUGH BILLS
OF LADING for all the principal ports in
South Africa, in connection with INDO-
CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO.'S fortnightly
service hence to CALCUTTA. Sailings from
CALCUTTA for CAPE PORTS every fortnight.
For Freight and further particulars,
apply to
DODWELL & CO., LIMITED,
General Agents for China and Japan.
Hongkong, 4th August, 1897.

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship
"PRINCESS IRENE,"
OF THE NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.
The above named steamer having arrived,
Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that
their Goods, with the exception of Opium,
Tea, and Valuable, are being landed and
stored at their risk into the Godowns of the
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown
Co., Limited, Kowloon, whence delivery may be
obtained.
Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless
notice to the contrary be given before 4 P.M.
TO-DAY.
No Claims will be admitted after the Goods
have left the Godowns, and all Goods remain-
ing undelivered after the 15th December will be
subject to rent.
All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are
to be left in the Godowns, where they will be
examined on TUESDAY, the 18th December,
and THURSDAY, the 20th December, at 9.30
A.M.
All claims must reach us before the 22nd
December, or they will not be recognized.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the
undersigned.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD. MELOERS & CO., Agents.

NAVIGAZIONE GENERALE ITALIANA (FLORENCE & RUBATINO UNITED COMPANIES).

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

FROM BOMBAY AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship

"BORMIDA,"
having arrived from the above ports, Con-
signees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that
their Goods are being landed at their risk
into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kow-
loon Wharf and Godown Company, whence
delivery may be obtained. Perishable Goods
to be taken delivery of immediately.
All damaged packages must be left in the
Godowns, and a certificate obtained from the
Godown Company within seven days after the
vessel's arrival here, after which no claims will
be recognized.
No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any
Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 16th
instant will be subject to rent.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
CARLOWITZ & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 1st December, 1900. [7]

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

CONSIGNEES per Company's Steamer

"DARDANUS,"
are hereby notified that the Cargo is being dis-
charged into Craft, and/or landed at the God-
owns of the Undersigned, in both cases it will
be at Consignees' risk. The Cargo will be ready
for delivery from Craft or Godown on and
after the 7th instant.
Optional cargo will be landed unless notice
has been given prior to steamer's arrival.
Goods undelivered after the 14th instant will
be subject to rent. All damaged Goods must
be left in the Godowns, where they will be ex-
amined at 11 A.M. on the 14th instant.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship

FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named
vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are
being landed and placed at their risk in the
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown
Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each
consignment will be sorted out mark by mark,
and delivery can be obtained as soon as the
Goods are landed.
This Vessel brings on Cargo—
From London, ex *s. Victoria*.
From Australia, ex *s. Oceana*.
From Persia (Gulf, ex *s. B. I. S. N.* and
B. & P. S. N. Co.'s steamers.
From Aleppo, ex *s. Nizam*.
Optional goods will be landed here unless
instructions are given to the contrary before
9 A.M. TO-DAY.
Goods not cleared by the 16th instant, at
4 P.M., will be subject to rent.
No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in
any case whatever.
All damaged packages must be left in the
Godowns, and a certificate of the damage ob-
tained from the Godown Company within ten
days after the vessel's arrival here, after which
no claims will be recognized.

A. M. MARSHALL, Acting Superintendent.

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP "DUKE OF FIPE."

FROM TACOMA VICTORIA AND KOBE.

THE above Steamer having arrived, Con-
signees of Cargo are hereby requested to
send in their Bills of Lading for countersign-
ment, and to take immediate delivery of their
Goods from alongside.
Consignees are required to sign Average
Bills which are lying in the Office of the Undersigned
and pay deposit of 5 per cent. on the
value of their goods.
Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel
will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk
and expense.

DODWELL & CO., LIMITED, Agents.

HONGKONG

Airline, British steamer, 2,500 tons, George, Dec. 11,
1900, at 10 A.M.
Antenor, British ship, 3,563 tons, Jackson, Dec. 12,
1900, at 10 A.M.
Belgia, American ship, 490 tons, Villaco, Dec. 5,
1900, at 10 A.M.
Bormida, Italian ship, 1,429 tons, Sartorio, Dec. 9,
1900, at 10 A.M.
Carlisle City, British ship, 1,894 tons, Paterson, Dec. 12,
1900, at 10 A.M.
Chas. Rogers, Belgian ship, 1,235 tons, Harforth, Dec. 6,
1900, at 10 A.M.
China, German steamer, 1,113 tons, Voss, Dec. 12,
1900, at 10 A.M.
Chowai, German ship, 1,113 tons, Morris, Dec. 9,
1900, at 10 A.M.
Chrysanthemum, British ship, 1,194 tons, Bopker, Dec. 11,
1900, at 10 A.M.
Clara, German steamer, 675 tons, Hansen, Nov. 16,
1900, at 10 A.M.
Daphne, German ship, 1,230 tons, Nissen, Dec. 7,
1900, at 10 A.M.
East Asiatic Trading Co.,
Duke of Fife, British ship, 2,416 tons, Cox, Dec. 11,
1900, at 10 A.M.
Empress of Japan, British ship, 3,003 tons, Pybus,
Nov. 30, C. P. L. Co.
Etruria, British steamer, 1,040 tons, Hay, Dec. 8,
1900, at 10 A.M.
Fausang, British ship, 1,410 tons, Mitchell, Dec. 10,
1900, at 10 A.M.
Fushan, British steamer, 1,500 tons, Laut, Dec. 7,
1900, at 10 A.M.
Glenogle, British ship, 2,398 tons, Frakes, Dec. 2,
1900, at 10 A.M.
Harshing, British ship, 1,267 tons, Hall, Dec. 13,
1900, at 10 A.M.
Haitan, Brit. steamer, 1,138 tons, Rosch, Dec. 9,
1900, at 10 A.M.
Hermes, Norwegian ship, 849 tons, Jansen, Dec. 11,
1900, at 10 A.M.
Hongkong, French ship, 882 tons, Pannier, Dec. 13,
1900, at 10 A.M.
Hokkaido Maru, Jap. ship, 3,340 tons, Fellmer, Dec. 11,
1900, at 10 A.M.
Hina, French steamer, 704 tons, Godinau, Dec. 11,
1900, at 10 A.M.
Indra Maru, Jap. ship, 3,334 tons, Bainbridge, Dec. 13,
1900, at 10 A.M.
Kishin Maru, Jap. ship, 2,889 tons, Fraser, Dec. 8,
1900, at 10 A.M.
Nippon Yusen Kaisha
Kwellin, British ship, 1,293 tons, McKenzie, Dec. 13,
1900, at 10 A.M.
Butterfield & Swire
Phra C. O. Kiao, British ship, 1,012 tons, McLehlan, Dec. 12,
1900, at 10 A.M.
Sabine Rickmers, British ship, 399 tons, Nabett, Dec. 12,
1900, at 10 A.M.
Socorro, British steamer, 3,595 tons, Hilda, Dec. 13,
1900, at 10 A.M.
Tamsui Maru, Jap. ship, 1,038 tons, Hasegawa, Dec. 15,
1900, at 10 A.M.
Tartar, British steamer, 2,768 tons, Bowles, Oct. 26,
1900, at 10 A.M.
Telemanthus, British ship, 1,373 tons, Sawyers, Nov. 22,
1900, at 10 A.M.
Butterfield & Swire
Trigona, British ship, 1,069 tons, Powell, Dec. 8,
1900, at 10 A.M.
Arnold, KARBURG & CO.
Taman, British ship, 1,459 tons, Anderson, Dec. 13,
1900, at 10 A.M.
Butterfield & Swire
Tangier, German ship, 1,000 tons, Sanders, Dec. 1,
1900, at 10 A.M.
Swansea & Co.
Tyne, Norwegian ship, 1,418 tons, Gram, Dec. 1,
1900, at 10 A.M.
East Asiatic Trading Co.
Ulysses, British ship, 2,381 tons, Edmundson, Dec. 12,
1900, at 10 A.M.
Butterfield & Swire
Vesper, French ship, 3,242 tons, Debourdeaux, Dec. 9,
1900, at 10 A.M.
Yedo Maru, Jap. ship, 1,063 tons, Fushiki, Dec. 7,
1900, at 10 A.M.
Nippon Yusen Kaisha
SAILING VESSELS.
Benjamin Sowell, American ship, 1,345 tons, Sowell,
Sept. 23, Order

Buteshire, British 4-m. bark, 1,876 tons, Purdie, Dec. 13, Government
Dumbiana, Italian bark, 721 tons, Trapani, Oct. 20, Order
Dundee, British ship, 1,938 tons, Hemming, Oct. 14, Order
Fulwood, British ship, 1,958 tons, Thomas, Dec. 1, Order
Packard, American bark, 2,000 tons, Allen, Oct. 6, Order
R. Morrow, British bark, 1,156 tons, Douglas, Dec. 4, Order
Arnold, KARBURG & CO.
Swanilda, British ship, 1,939 tons, Fraser, Nov. 26, Standard Oil Co.

HER BRITANNIC MAJESTY'S SHIPS IN THE CHINA SQUADRON.

Alacrity, despatch-boat, 1,700 tons, 10 guns, 3,000 h.p., Comdr. C. G. F. M. Cradock, at Nanking
Algerine, sloop, 1,050 tons, 6 guns, 1,100 h.p., Comdr. R. H. Johnston Stewart, at Hongkong
Aethon, cruiser, 4,300 tons, 10 guns, 5,000 h.p., Captain J. Starin, at Shanghai
Argonaut, battleship, 11,000 tons, 18 guns, 3,800 h.p., Capt. G. H. Cherry, R.N., at Amoy
Astraea, cruiser, 4,360 tons, 10 guns, 9,000 h.p., Capt. Alfred W. Paget, at Hongkong
Aurora, cruiser, 5,600 tons, 12 guns, 8,500 h.p., Capt. E. H. Bayly, at Weihaiwei
Barclay, battleship, 10,500 tons, 14 guns, 13,000 h.p., Capt. G. J. S. Warrander, at Taku
Bonaventure, cruiser, 4,360 tons, 15 guns, 9,000 h.p., Capt. J. C. Sawle, at Nanking
Brisk, cruiser, 6 guns, 8,000 h.p., Comdr. Sir B. R. S. Wrey, Bart., at Singapore
Britannia, gunboat, 710 tons, 6 guns, 1,300 h.p., Lieut. Comdr. Philip Walter, at Canton
Centurion, flagship, 10,500 tons, 14 guns, 13,000 h.p., Capt. J. B. Jellicoe, at Wootton
Daphne, sloop, 1,140 tons, 8 guns, 2,000 h.p., Comdr. C. W. Widdington-Ingram, at Hankow
Dido, cruiser, 2nd class, 5,600 tons, 11 guns, 9,000 h.p., Capt. P. F. Tildard, at Weihaiwei
Eudymion, cruiser, 7,350 tons, 12 guns, 10,000 h.p., Capt. G. A. Callaghan, at Hongkong
Esk, gunboat, 363 tons, 3 guns, 200 h.p., Lieut. and Comdr. C. Chadwick, at Shanghai
Fame, torpedo-

